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1 **[REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON**
2 **TUESDAY, AUGUST 18, 2009 BEGINS ON PAGE 191.]**

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7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I'D LIKE TO CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER.
8 GOOD MORNING. I WOULD LIKE TO PLEASE ASK EVERYONE TO PLEASE
9 RISE. THIS MORNING WE'LL BE LED IN OUR INVOCATION BY CAPTAIN
10 MARCELO GONCALVES, REDONDO BEACH CORPS COMMUNITY CENTER,
11 FOLLOWED BY THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE LED BY KAREN SMITH, A
12 FORMER SERGEANT IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY CAPTAIN CONCALVES.

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14 **CAPTAIN MARCELO GONCALVES:** THANK YOU MR. CHAIRMAN FOR HAVING
15 ME HERE. I'M VERY PROUD TO BE HERE THIS MORNING. THANK YOU. I
16 THINK WE'VE GOT TO COME BEFORE THE LORD WITH A THANKFUL HEART.
17 AND I'M THANKFUL FOR THE FACT THAT I'M LIVING HERE IN THIS
18 BEAUTIFUL COUNTRY, THE UNITED STATES, WHERE WE HAVE FREEDOM,
19 WHERE WE HAVE DEMOCRACY. MORE THAN THAT, I'M THANKFUL FOR
20 BEING IN CALIFORNIA. I'VE LIVED IN OTHER STATES AND IT'S A
21 PRIVILEGE TO LIVE HERE IN CALIFORNIA. ALSO, NOT ONLY DO WE
22 LIVE IN CALIFORNIA, BUT WE LIVE HERE IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA.
23 IT'S MUCH BETTER, THE WEATHER WE ARE CLOSE TO. THE COUNTY OF
24 LOS ANGELES, THANK GOD FOR THAT. LET'S PRAY. HEAVENLY FATHER,
25 WE ARE SO THANKFUL FOR THE PRIVILEGE OF LIVING HERE IN THIS



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1 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES CLOSE TO THE BEACH, CLOSE TO THE
2 MOUNTAINS. THANK YOU FOR THESE SUPERVISORS THAT ARE HERE
3 SERVING THE COMMUNITIES AROUND US, THANK YOU FOR THEIR LIVES,
4 BLESS THEM, OH LORD. BLESS THEM TODAY AS THEY HEAR AND AS THEY
5 MAKE DECISIONS THAT THEY WOULD BE BLESSED WITH WISDOM THAT
6 COMES FROM ABOVE. THANK YOU FOR THIS MEETING. BLESS EACH
7 PORTION OF IT AND BE WITH THEM AS THEY HEAR AND AS THEY MAKE
8 DECISIONS. I PRAY IN THE NAME OF JESUS OUR LORD AND SAVIOR.
9 AMEN.

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11 **KAREN SMITH:** PLEASE FACE THE FLAG, PUT YOUR RIGHT HAND OVER
12 YOUR HEART, AND JOIN ME IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. [PLEDGE
13 OF ALLEGIANCE]

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15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU BOTH. TODAY, AS MENTIONED, WE
16 WERE LED IN OUR INVOCATION BY CAPTAIN MARCELO GONCALVES OF THE
17 SALVATION ARMY. CAPTAIN GONCALVES TOOK COMMAND OF THE
18 SALVATION ARMY IN REDONDO BEACH ON JULY 1ST OF THIS YEAR. THE
19 REDONDO BEACH BRANCH OF THE SALVATION ARMY PROVIDES AID TO
20 THOSE IN NEED AND OVERSEES SENIOR RESIDENTS, AMONG OTHER
21 ACTIVITIES AS WELL, THAT SERVE THE BEACH COMMUNITIES. CAPTAIN
22 MARCELO AND HIS WIFE, CAPTAIN ODILLA, HAS SERVED THE SALVATION
23 ARMY IN WHITTIER, TORRANCE, ANAHEIM, SINCE JOINING THE CORPS
24 IN 1998. BEFORE THAT, HE WORKED IN PRIVATE BUSINESS IN BRAZIL,
25 HE HAS AN UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE IN BUSINESS FROM F.M.U. COLLEGE



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1 IN SAO PAULO AND A MASTER'S DEGREE FROM BIOLA UNIVERSITY IN LA
2 MIRADA. CAPTAIN ODILLA HAS A B.A. IN EDUCATION FROM F.M.U.
3 COLLEGE IN SAO PAULO AND A B.A. IN MUSIC FROM THE SAO PAULO
4 CONSERVATORY. THE GONCALVESES HAVE TWO ADULT SONS, RICK
5 RICARDO, WHO JUST GRADUATED FROM CAL STATE LONG BEACH AND
6 MAURICIO IS GRADUATE OF CAL STATE FULLERTON, AND IS GOING TO
7 BE TAKING A MINISTRY ASSOCIATE POSITION WITH THE SALVATION
8 ARMY IN WHITTIER. SO ON BEHALF OF MY COLLEAGUES AND OUR
9 RESIDENTS, WE THANK YOU FOR TAKING TIME OUT OF YOUR SCHEDULE
10 TO LEAD US IN THE INVOCATION. [APPLAUSE]

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12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN, WE WERE LED IN THE PLEDGE OF
13 ALLEGIANCE THIS MORNING BY KAREN SMITH. KAREN'S A RESIDENT OF
14 MISSION HILLS IN OUR THIRD DISTRICT. SHE SERVED IN THE UNITED
15 STATES ARMY AS A SERGEANT IN 1992 TO 2000, IN THE MEDICAL
16 BATTALION IN GERMANY. SHE'S RECEIVED THE GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL,
17 THE NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE MEDAL, MERITORIOUS UNIT CITATION
18 MEDAL. SHE IS NOW A PROGRAM MANAGEMENT OFFICER AT THE
19 SEPULVEDA AMBULATORY CARE CLINIC AND WE WANT TO THANK YOU FOR
20 COMING DOWN THIS MORNING AND LEADING US IN THE PLEDGE AND
21 THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY. [APPLAUSE]

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. WE WILL PROCEED WITH THE READING
24 OF THE AGENDA.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE
2 BOARD. WE WILL BEGIN TODAY'S AGENDA ON PAGE 4, AGENDA FOR THE
3 MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, ITEM 1-D.

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5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY THE CHAIR, SECONDED BY
6 SUPERVISOR MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE HOUSING
9 AUTHORITY, ITEM 1-H.

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11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY,
12 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ITEMS 1 THROUGH 10. ON
15 ITEM NUMBER 2, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS AND MEMBERS OF THE
16 PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NUMBER 3, THIS
17 ALSO INCLUDES SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND SUPERVISOR KNABE'S
18 AMENDMENT AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, AND ALSO
19 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, SUPERVISOR KNABE AND A MEMBER OF THE
20 PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NUMBER 4,
21 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED
22 TWO WEEKS TO SEPTEMBER 1ST, 2009. ON ITEM NUMBER 4, YES?

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** JUST HOLD IT AND I'LL TALK TO IT.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE'LL HOLD ITEM NUMBER 4, THEN. OKAY. ON
2 ITEM NUMBER 5, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM
3 BE CONTINUED FOUR WEEKS TO SEPTEMBER 15TH, 2009.

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5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

6

7 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NUMBER 8, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH
8 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO AUGUST 25TH,
9 2009.

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11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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13 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THE REMAINING --

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15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** 8.

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17 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 8.

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19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ONE WEEK.

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21 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ONE WEEK.

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23 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THE REMAINING ITEMS FOR BOARD OF
24 SUPERVISORS ARE BEFORE YOU.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ON THE REMAINING ITEMS, MOVED BY
2 SUPERVISOR MOLINA, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT
3 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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5 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE'RE NOW ON PAGE 11, CONSENT CALENDAR,
6 ITEMS 11 THROUGH 48. ON ITEM NUMBER 14, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
7 THOMAS AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE
8 HELD.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WHILE WE ARE DOING THAT, SUPERVISOR
11 RIDLEY-THOMAS, JUST -- I KNOW THAT THEY ON A HOLD ON THIS, BUT
12 I WOULD LIKE TO REQUEST THAT THIS BOARD TAKE ITEM 14 AND S-1
13 TOGETHER AT NOON.

14

15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YES, SIR.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** AND JUST FOR THE RECORD, FOR THOSE OF
18 YOU IN THE AUDIENCE, WHEREVER WE ARE AS IT RELATES TO OUR
19 AGENDA, IF WE'RE NOT COMPLETE, WE WILL BE STOPPING THE AGENDA
20 AT NOON TO TAKE ITEM S-1 UNDER CONSIDERATION, SO THANK YOU.

21

22 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THANK YOU. MR. CHAIRMAN, ON ITEM NUMBER 11,
23 THERE WAS ALSO A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD
24 THAT ITEM.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

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3 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NUMBER 18, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH
4 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD.

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NUMBER 19, COUNTY COUNSEL REQUESTS
9 THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED FOR THREE WEEKS TO SEPTEMBER 8TH,
10 2009.

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12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** (OFF-MIKE) .

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14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 18 WILL BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK?

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16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ITEM 18 WILL BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK. ITEM
17 19 WILL BE CONTINUED THREE WEEKS. SO ORDERED.

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19 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THREE WEEKS, THANK YOU. ON ITEM NUMBER 22,
20 SUPERVISOR KNABE REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM
21 NUMBER 24, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO
22 HOLD THIS ITEM.

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24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NUMBER 27, AS INDICATED ON THE
2 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT
3 THIS ITEM BE REFERRED BACK TO HIS OFFICE.

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5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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7 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NUMBER 28, AS INDICATED ON THE
8 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT
9 THIS ITEM BE REFERRED BACK TO HIS OFFICE.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

12

13 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NUMBER 38, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A
14 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NUMBER --

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16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** 38?

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18 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 38, CORRECT. ON ITEM NUMBER 39, SUPERVISOR
19 YAROSLAVSKY REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO
20 AUGUST 25TH, 2009.

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22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NUMBER 42, AS INDICATED ON THE
2 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT
3 THIS ITEM BE TAKEN OFF CALENDAR.

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5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHICH ONE IS THAT?

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7 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 42. ON ITEM NUMBER 43, THERE'S A REQUEST
8 FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NUMBER
9 46, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS
10 ITEM. AND THE REMAINING ITEMS --

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12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ON 46?

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14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 46, THERE'S MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC
15 REQUESTING TO HOLD THIS ITEM.

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17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. IS IT RELATED TO THIS ITEM? THE
18 HOLD?

19

20 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THEY DID NOT INDICATE ON THEIR SIGN-UP.

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22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ALL RIGHT.

23

24 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THE REMAINING ITEMS ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR
25 ARE BEFORE YOU.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ON THE REMAINDER, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
3 RIDLEY-THOMAS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT
4 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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6 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE'RE NOW ON PAGE 26, SEPARATE MATTERS,
7 ITEMS 49 AND 50, AND I'LL READ THE SHORT TITLES IN FOR THE
8 RECORD. ON ITEM NUMBER 49, THIS IS THE TREASURER AND TAX
9 COLLECTOR'S RECOMMENDATION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE
10 ISSUANCE AND SALE OF HAWTHORNE SCHOOL DISTRICT GENERAL
11 OBLIGATION BONDS 2008 ELECTIONS, 2009 SERIES A IN AN AGGREGATE
12 PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$9 MILLION.

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14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. CHAIR
15 WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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17 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NUMBER 50, THIS IS THE TREASURER
18 AND TAX COLLECTOR'S RECOMMENDATION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION
19 AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF THE PASADENA UNIFIED
20 SCHOOL DISTRICT 2009 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, 2008 SERIES A
21 IN AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$125 MILLION.

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23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. THE
24 CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** DISCUSSION ITEMS, ITEMS 51 THROUGH 54. ON
2 ITEM NUMBER 51, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA,
3 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED
4 TWO WEEKS TO SEPTEMBER 1ST, 2009.

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NUMBER 52, AS INDICATED ON THE
9 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT
10 THIS ITEM BE REFERRED BACK TO HIS OFFICE.

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12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** REFER BACK OR TO CLOSED SESSION?

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14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** REFERRED BACK.

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16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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18 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NUMBER 53, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS
19 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO AUGUST 25TH,
20 2009.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

23

24 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NUMBER 54, WE WILL HOLD FOR THE
25 PUBLIC HEARING.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** PAGE 28, MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS TO THE
5 AGENDA WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE
6 MEETING AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM
7 NUMBER 55-A, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO
8 HOLD THIS ITEM.

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10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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12 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 55-B.

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14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** 55-B, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA. THE
15 CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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17 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM 55-C, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A
18 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM.

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20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ON 55-C.

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22 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 55-C.

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24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** PAGE 30, NOTICES OF CLOSED SESSION. ON ITEM
2 CS-6, COUNTY COUNSEL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO
3 WEEKS TO SEPTEMBER 1ST, 2009.

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5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHICH ITEM IS THAT?

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7 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** CS-6.

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9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHAT DID YOU DO WITH 55-C?

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11 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 55-C IS BEING HELD FOR A MEMBER OF THE
12 PUBLIC. CS-6 IS A TWO-WEEK CONTINUANCE.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

15

16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND THEN ON ITEM CS-7, THERE'S A REQUEST
17 FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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21 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA.
22 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH SUPERVISORIAL
23 DISTRICT NUMBER 2.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. WE HAVE SEVERAL PRESENTATIONS.
2 THANK YOU. WE HAVE SEVERAL PRESENTATIONS. FIRST OF ALL, I'D
3 LIKE TO INVITE UP THE HONORABLE BRIGITTA SCHOCH DETTWEILER,
4 CONSUL GENERAL OF SWITZERLAND HERE IN LOS ANGELES. THE CONSUL
5 GENERAL WAS CONFIRMED TO HER POST BACK IN NOVEMBER OF 2005.
6 SHE WAS WELL ACQUAINTED WITH LOS ANGELES WHEN SHE ARRIVED
7 BECAUSE SHE HAD BEEN DEPUTY CONSUL GENERAL AND CULTURAL
8 ATTACHE HERE FROM 1991 TO 1996. SHE IS ALSO FAMILIAR WITH MANY
9 AREAS IN THE WORLD, HAVING SERVED IN LIBYA, SENEGAL, CONGO,
10 IRAN, PAKISTAN, NORWAY, FRANCE, RUSSIA, CUBA, AND BRAZIL. SHE
11 HAS ALSO SERVED AS CONSUL GENERAL IN GENOA, ITALY, AND IN
12 HAMBURG, GERMANY. CONSUL GENERAL'S NATIVE LANGUAGE IS GERMAN
13 BUT SHE ALSO SPEAKS ENGLISH, FRENCH, ITALIAN, PORTUGUESE,
14 SPANISH AND NORWEGIAN. HER EDUCATION INCLUDES A DIPLOMA IN
15 FRENCH LANGUAGE AND CIVILIZATION FROM SORBONNE IN PARIS, AFTER
16 WHICH SHE TRAINED IN AN INTERNATIONAL COMPANY IN ZURICH BEFORE
17 JOINING THE SWISS FEDERAL DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS. SHE
18 ALSO SERVED WITH THE UNITED NATIONS, WHERE SHE WAS IN CHARGE
19 OF CULTURE AND COMMUNICATION WITH THE SECRETARY OF THE SWISS
20 NATIONAL COMMISSION. AND SO ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD AND THE 10
21 MILLION RESIDENTS, WE WANT TO THANK HER FOR HER DISTINGUISHED
22 SERVICE TO THE SWISS AMERICAN COMMUNITY AND TO ALL THE PEOPLE
23 OF OUR GREAT COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. WE WISH HER AND HER
24 HUSBAND, KLAUS, A VERY HAPPY AND WELL DESERVED RETIREMENT,



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1 WHICH HAS TRULY BEEN A GLOBE-TROTTING CAREER. SO LET'S GIVE
2 HER A BIG WARM APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE]

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4 **BRIGITTA SCHOCH DETTWEILER:** HONORABLE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD,
5 HONORABLE SUPERVISORS, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, IT IS A GREAT
6 PRIVILEGE TO BE STANDING HERE AND TO BE RECEIVED BY THE BOARD
7 OF SUPERVISORS AND, OF COURSE, TO HAVE BEEN ABLE TO SERVE IN
8 THE UNITED STATES, IN CALIFORNIA, AND IN THIS GREAT COUNTY OF
9 LOS ANGELES FOR THE LAST FOUR YEARS OF MY CAREER. THIS HAS
10 BEEN A HIGHLIGHT. AND I DO BELIEVE THAT SWITZERLAND AND THE
11 UNITED STATES, AND IN PARTICULAR LOS ANGELES, HAVE INDEED A
12 LOT IN COMMON. WE ARE OPEN, MULTI-CULTURAL AND VERY DEMOCRATIC
13 SOCIETIES AND THERE'S A DEEP BOND BETWEEN US. AND I THINK THAT
14 ON THE OCCASION OF THE UNIVERSAL DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS
15 AND OF THE 60TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE GENEVA CONVENTION, OF WHICH
16 SWITZERLAND IS A DEPOSITORY COUNTRY, MAY I PRESENT TO YOU, MR.
17 CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD, A SWISS FOCUS ON HUMAN RIGHTS. I DO
18 BELIEVE IT'S IMPORTANT TO REMIND US HOW MUCH THIS IS PART OF
19 OUR UNIVERSAL HERITAGE AND THAT WE SHARE THIS INTEREST AND
20 THIS CONCERN. SO THANK YOU SO MUCH ALSO IN THE NAME OF MY
21 HUSBAND, KLAUS, WHO IS HERE WITH ME TODAY, FOR ALL THE
22 COURTESIES AND THE FANTASTIC YEARS YOU HAVE GIVEN TO ME. I
23 WILL ALWAYS REMEMBER LOS ANGELES, AND THE COUNTY OF LOS
24 ANGELES, AND YOU, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN. DEEP IN MY HEART, I
25 WILL CARRY YOU WITH ME AND I'M REALLY GRATEFUL FOR THE



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1 DIALOGUE AND FOR THE BOND WE WERE ABLE TO CREATE. THE PRESENCE
2 OF SWITZERLAND, THE DIPLOMATIC PRESENCE OF SWITZERLAND IN
3 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA IS ASSURED. AND I'M HAPPY TO SAY THERE
4 WILL BE A SUCCESSOR AND THERE'S NO PROBLEM, WE WILL NOT CLOSE
5 DOWN. THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE]

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7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MARK, IT'S ALL YOURS.

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9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. CHAIRMAN AND
10 COLLEAGUES. IT'S MY HONOR NOW TO BRING FORWARD FATHER PETER
11 BANKS, WHO IS THE PASTOR OF THE ST. LAWRENCE OF BRINDISI
12 CHURCH IN WATTS. AND IT'S ON THIS OCCASION THAT FATHER BANKS
13 COMES BEFORE US BECAUSE HE WAS RECENTLY RECOGNIZED FOR MORE
14 THAN 20 YEARS OF SERVICE IN BRIDGING THE GAP BETWEEN THE
15 MULTI-ETHNIC CONGREGATION, SPECIFICALLY AFRICAN-AMERICANS AND
16 LATINOS IN THE COMMUNITY OF WATTS. USING GOSPEL MUSIC DURING
17 HIS SUNDAY SERVICES, FATHER BANKS WAS SUCCESSFUL IN CREATING A
18 COMMON GROUND WITH INCREASED INTEREST OF CULTURAL AWARENESS
19 AND EXCHANGE RIGHT THERE IN ST. LAWRENCE AND THE SURROUNDING
20 COMMUNITIES FOR THOSE PARISHIONERS. HE CURRENTLY COMMITS TO
21 PERSONALLY RAISING FUNDS TO SPONSOR YOUTH AT RISK TO ATTEND
22 COLLEGE. EVEN THOUGH HE WILL MOVE ON AS PASTOR OF ST. LAWRENCE
23 CHURCH LATER THIS YEAR, HE VOWS TO CONTINUE TO WORK WITH THE
24 YOUTH AND NICKERSON GARDENS HOUSING DEVELOPMENT. AND SO IT'S
25 WITH GREAT PLEASURE TODAY THAT I PRESENT THIS SCROLL TO FATHER



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1 PETER AS WE COMMEND HIM ON HIS EFFORTS AND HIS SELFLESS
2 CONTRIBUTIONS TO CREATE COMMUNITIES OF UNDERSTANDING AND
3 ACCEPTANCE IN ONE OF THE MOST DIVERSE AREAS OF THE SECOND
4 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT. LET ME SAY, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, HE
5 HAS BUILT A STRONG FOUNDATION FOR THE COMMUNITY TO CONTINUE TO
6 PROMOTE AND FOSTER THE NECESSARY INTERACTION BETWEEN AND AMONG
7 COMMUNITY RESIDENTS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. AND I SIMPLY
8 WISH TO COMMEND HIM, HAVING RECENTLY CELEBRATED WITH HIM AT
9 ST. LAWRENCE A WONDERFUL MASS. IT IS JUST SIMPLY THE HONOR OF
10 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO RECOGNIZE YOU, FATHER PETER, FOR
11 ALL THAT YOU HAVE DONE, ALL THAT YOU ARE DOING AND THAT WHICH
12 YOU WILL CONTINUE TO DO TO BENEFIT THE PEOPLE OF THAT
13 COMMUNITY, THAT PARISH AND THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AS A
14 WHOLE. [APPLAUSE]

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16 **FATHER PETER BANKS:** I WANT TO THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
17 IN A VERY SPECIAL WAY FOR THIS GREAT HONOR. I WAS VERY BLESSED
18 WHEN I WAS ORDAINED A PRIEST IN IRELAND IN 1973 TO HAVE MY
19 FIRST ASSIGNMENT IN WATTS. AND AS ONE BLACK LADY SAID TO ME
20 ONE TIME, NEVER FORGET WE MADE YOU THE PRIEST YOU ARE. SO I
21 THINK IT'S PEOPLE LIKE YOU, WONDERFUL PEOPLE IN WATTS AND THE
22 WATTS COMMUNITY. AND I WANT TO THANK THE PEOPLE WITH ME, MIKE
23 WAINWRIGHT, MISS ALLWINE, JOSE GONZAG, AND BARBARA. AND
24 ESPECIALLY YOU, MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS, IN A VERY SPECIAL WAY.
25 THANK YOU. I HAVE TWO DREAMS BEFORE -- I WILL NEVER LEAVE



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1 WATTS BECAUSE I SUPPORT IT. BUT I HAVE TWO DREAMS. ONE OF MY
2 DREAMS IS IN ALL OF MY 20 YEARS, I COULD NOT COUNT THE NUMBER
3 OF TIMES I WENT TO MARTIN LUTHER KING HOSPITAL. I SAT AT THE
4 SIDE OF PEOPLE WHO WERE DYING, PEOPLE WHO WERE SICK. AND IT
5 WAS A PLACE OF COMPASSION AND LOVE, AND I WANT TO THANK YOU
6 FOR WHAT YOU'RE DOING FOR IT BECAUSE IT'S MY DREAM THAT IT
7 WILL OPEN AGAIN. [APPLAUSE]

8

9 **FATHER PETER BANKS:** AND SOME OF YOU MAY NOT KNOW, BUT BEFORE
10 1965, BEFORE THE RIOTS, THERE WERE TWO THEATERS IN WATTS. AND
11 IT'S MY DREAM ALSO, THROUGH THE WORKS OF BARBARA STANTON AND
12 SO MANY OTHERS, THAT ONCE AGAIN THERE WILL BE A THEATRE IN
13 WATTS. AND THAT'S IT. IT'S A BLESSING. [APPLAUSE]

14

15 **FATHER PETER BANKS:** AND FINALLY, ABOVE ALL, THANK GOD, THANK
16 MY FAMILY, THANKS ST. LAWRENCE OF BRINDISI, AND THANK ALL OF
17 YOU, AND ALL THE WONDERFUL PEOPLE OF WATTS. AND GOD BLESS YOU.
18 [APPLAUSE]

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20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** FATHER BANKS IS A SPECIAL FORCE IN OUR
21 COMMUNITY AND WE ARE THANKFUL FOR HIS PRESENCE. MR. CHAIRMAN
22 AND COLLEAGUES, MAY I NOW ASK THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT
23 OF PARKS AND RECREATION, RUSS GUINEY, AS WELL AS FERNANDO
24 MEDINA, LEWIS PICO AND LETECIA SAENZ TO COME FORWARD BECAUSE
25 WE WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE SOME VERY SPECIAL YOUNG PEOPLE. AND



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1 THEY ARE REPRESENTATIVES OF SEVERAL PARKS IN OUR AREA. AND
2 SPECIFICALLY THAT WOULD BE VICTORIA PARK, JESSE OWENS PARK,
3 AND FINALLY, TED WATKINS PARK. THEY ARE COMING. GIVE THEM A
4 BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE AS THEY COME. [APPLAUSE]

5

6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ON JULY 18TH, THE L.A. COUNTY SOUTH AGENCY
7 AQUATIC TEAM WON THE 2009 U.S.A. STATE SWIM CHAMPIONSHIP IN
8 SAN DIEGO. LET'S GIVE THEM A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE
9]

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11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THE SWIM TEAM, COMPRISED OF SOME 97 YOUTH,
12 RANGING FROM AGES 10 TO 18, COMPETED AGAINST 20 TEAMS OF OVER
13 800 COMPETITORS FROM ALL OVER THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. THE
14 TEAM GARNERED GOLD, SILVER AND BRONZE MEDALS IN 12 DISTINCT
15 EVENTS. MY OFFICE, IN ADDITION TO THE AQUATIC FOUNDATION OF
16 METROPOLITAN LOS ANGELES, STRONGLY SUPPORTS THIS TEAM BECAUSE
17 IT MEANS THAT THESE YOUNG PEOPLE ARE EXCELLING, THEY ARE
18 DISTINGUISHING THEMSELVES, AND THAT'S WHAT WE LIKE TO SEE. AND
19 I WANT TO APPLAUD THE COACHES FROM PARKS AND RECREATION, MANY
20 OF WHOM ARE EMPLOYEES OF FERNANDO MEDINA TO NICK OROSCO, TO
21 CHRISTINA MELENDEZ AND TONY MARTINEZ FOR THEIR HARD WORK AND
22 DEDICATION TO THESE YOUNG PEOPLE. AND IT'S PAID OFF IN A MAJOR
23 WAY, SO LET'S GIVE THE STAFF OF RECREATION AND PARKS, OR PARKS
24 AND RECREATION, A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE]

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** HARDLY ANY OF THIS WOULD GO ON WITHOUT THE
2 LEADERSHIP OF RUSS GUINEY. SO WE WANT TO THANK RUSS FOR HIS
3 LEADERSHIP. AND I THINK IT'S WORTHWHILE TO JUST CALL OUT THE
4 NAMES OF THESE PERSONS WHO ARE LISTED, THESE YOUNG PEOPLE. SO
5 FROM VICTORIA PARK, MARISSA BALTISTA, JERRY RADCLIFFE, IVY
6 RAMIREZ, ANGEL LITTA AND GISELLE RODRIGUEZ. GIVE THEM A BIG
7 ROUND OF APPLAUSE FROM VICTORIA PARK. [APPLAUSE]

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9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AND THEN FROM JESSE OWENS PARK, DENIRA
10 ORTEGA, MAYA JACKSON, BRANDON MARTIN, DESIREE MARTIN, AND
11 ROBERT MOORE. GIVE THEM A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE. BIG ROUND OF
12 APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE]

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14 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AND THEN FINALLY FROM THE TED WATKINS
15 PARK, ANNA NOTALES, SANDY CISNEROS, AURORA SAENZ, VALERIA
16 OROZCO AND FINALLY, STEPHANIE OROZCO. GIVE THEM A BIG ROUND OF
17 APPLAUSE. LET'S GIVE ALL THESE YOUNGSTERS A BIG, BIG ROUND OF
18 APPLAUSE. WE THANK THEM FOR THEIR FINE WORK. AND RUSS, ON
19 BEHALF OF THE TEAM, WE WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE AGAIN YOUR
20 LEADERSHIP AND ASK YOU TO MAKE JUST A BRIEF REMARK AND SALUTE
21 THE STATEWIDE CHAMPIONS.

22

23 **RUSS GUINEY:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. WE READ IN THE PAPER SO
24 MANY TRAGIC STORIES. THIS IS A GREAT STORY. THIS IS WHAT'S
25 RIGHT WITH OUR COUNTY. THESE ARE KIDS THAT ARE MAKING A



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1 DIFFERENCE AND THEY'VE REALLY, REALLY MADE US PROUD. BEHIND
2 ALL THESE KIDS ARE PARENTS THAT CARE, GUARDIANS, UNCLES,
3 AUNTS, FRIENDS AND RELATIVES. AND IF YOU'RE OUT IN THE
4 AUDIENCE, JUST STAND UP AND LET US SAY THANK YOU TO ALL THE
5 PARENTS FOR SUPPORTING THESE KIDS. [APPLAUSE]

6

7 **RUSS GUINEY:** THIS PROGRAM WAS MADE POSSIBLE BY THE SUPPORT OF
8 THE AQUATICS FOUNDATION IN METROPOLITAN LOS ANGELES. I WANT TO
9 ACKNOWLEDGE THE BOARD MEMBERS AND OUR PRESIDENT, DR. ROSALIND
10 BLAKE, WHO IS HERE. PILAR PEREZ, TONY MARTINEZ, HAL DASH, AND
11 OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND SECOND DIRECT PARK COMMISSIONER,
12 MR. STAN LEE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

13

14 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ONCE AGAIN, I THINK WE OUGHT TO GIVE THESE
15 CHAMPIONS A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE. WE CAN'T APPLAUD THEM
16 ENOUGH. SHOW THEM SOME LOVE! [APPLAUSE]

17

18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. CHAIRMAN AND
19 COLLEAGUES, AND THANK YOU CHAMPIONS. AND NOW WE'LL TAKE OUR
20 PHOTO OP TOGETHER. ALL RIGHT? GATHER AROUND. [APPLAUSE]

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22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN? I'D LIKE TO ASK THE
23 REPRESENTATIVES OF HATZOLAH -- ARE THEY IN THE AUDIENCE?
24 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND -- HERE THEY
25 COME. FIRE DEPARTMENT AND SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND PARKS AND



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1 RECREATION LAKE LIFEGUARDS, JOIN US UP HERE. MEMBERS OF THE
2 BOARD AND LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, TODAY I HAVE THE PRIVILEGE OF
3 PRESENTING A PROCLAMATION OF GRATITUDE TO THE SHERIFF'S
4 DEPARTMENT, TO THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT AND TO THE
5 FIRE DEPARTMENT, WHO JOINTLY PARTICIPATED IN A RECOVERY EFFORT
6 SEVERAL MONTHS BACK THAT DIDN'T END WELL BUT THAT THE COMING
7 TOGETHER OF THESE THREE DEPARTMENTS WAS A SINGULAR HEROIC
8 EFFORT ON THE PART OF THREE GREAT PUBLIC AGENCIES OF LOS
9 ANGELES COUNTY. I ALSO WANT TO THANK VENTURA COUNTY BECAUSE
10 THAT'S WHERE THIS INCIDENT TOOK PLACE. AND THEY TOO WERE VERY
11 COOPERATIVE. AND SUPERVISOR LINDA PARKS, OF THE COUNTY OF
12 VENTURA, WHO INTERCEDED AT A VERY CRITICAL MOMENT. WE'RE
13 HONORING TODAY THE EFFORT THAT WAS SPAWNED BY THE JEWISH
14 VOLUNTEER EMERGENCY MEDICAL RESCUE TEAM, HATZOLAH, WHICH HAS
15 BEEN HONORED HERE MANY TIMES BEFORE, IN PRESENTING THESE
16 PROCLAMATIONS TO THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, UNDERWATER RESCUE AND
17 RECOVERY TEAM, THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND
18 RECREATION, LAKE LIFEGUARDS DIVISION AND THE LOS ANGELES
19 SHERIFF'S EMERGENCY SERVICE DETAIL. THESE THREE DEPARTMENTS
20 ALL CONTRIBUTED PERSONNEL AND OTHER RESOURCES WHO ASSISTED IN
21 AN EIGHT-DAY SEARCH AND RESCUE, AND ULTIMATELY SEARCH AND
22 RECOVERY EFFORT TO RETRIEVE THE BODY NAFTOLI SMOLYANSKY, A A
23 THIRD DISTRICT RESIDENT, IN FACT A NEIGHBOR OF MINE, WHO
24 DISAPPEARED AND ULTIMATELY DROWNED DURING A FAMILY OUTING ON
25 LAKE PIRU IN VENTURA COUNTY, AFTER SUCCESSFULLY GUIDING HIS



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1 DAUGHTER BACK TO SAFETY WHEN SHE DRIFTED AWAY FROM THE
2 FAMILY'S BOAT. MR. SMOLYANSKY WAS LOST ON AUGUST 25TH, 2008.
3 AFTER EIGHT DAYS OF SEARCHING INVOLVING MORE THAN 120 HATZOLAH
4 AND COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS AND THE COMBINED PARTICIPATION OF THE
5 COUNTY DEPARTMENTS THAT I'VE MENTIONED, THE BODY WAS FINALLY
6 RECOVERED ON SEPTEMBER 2ND, 2008. HATZOLAH AND THE COMMUNITY
7 WERE SO MOVED BY THE COUNTY FAMILY'S PARTICIPATION AND
8 DEDICATION THAT THEY ASKED OUR OFFICES TO FACILITATE A PUBLIC
9 THANK YOU AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FOR THE SUCCESSFUL RECOVERY,
10 EVEN THOUGH THE ATTEMPTED RESCUE WAS NOT SUCCESSFUL. THIS
11 MONTH MARKS THE ONE-YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF THE FAMILY'S LOSS. SO
12 IT SEEMED FITTING -- A FITTING TIME TO FORMALLY RECOGNIZE THIS
13 EVENT AND THE PEOPLE WHO WERE INVOLVED IN IT. WE'RE DOING IT
14 JOINTLY, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND I, BECAUSE WHILE THE
15 DROWNING VICTIM AND THE HATZOLAH RESCUE TEAM ARE BASED IN OUR
16 THIRD SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT, THE RESCUE PERSONNEL WERE MAINLY
17 DEPLOYED IN THE FIFTH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT SINCE LAKE PIRU
18 STRADDLES THE VENTURA/L.A. COUNTY LINE NORTH OF THE 126
19 FREEWAY. I REMEMBER THAT WEEKEND QUITE WELL WHEN I RECEIVED
20 THE CALL AT HOME. YOU CALLED ME, I THINK. AND OUR PERSONNEL,
21 OUR EMERGENCY PERSONNEL KNOW HATZOLAH REAL WELL. VENTURA
22 COUNTY HAD NEVER HEARD OF THIS ORGANIZATION. AND HERE CAME A
23 BUNCH OF VOLUNTEERS, CIVILIANS WHO WANTED TO HELP IN THE
24 RESCUE AND RECOVERY EFFORT. AND WE HAD TO INTERCEDE TO GIVE
25 THEM THE GOOD HOUSEKEEPING SEAL THAT THEY KNEW WHAT THEY WERE



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1 DOING. AND AS A RESULT OF THEIR EFFORT, THE EFFORT OF ALL
2 THESE FOLKS, EIGHT LONG DAYS, EIGHT LONG DAYS UNTIL WE FOUND
3 OUT THAT IT WAS A RECOVERY AND NOT A RESCUE. BUT LIFE GOES ON,
4 THE FAMILY IS STILL THERE, AND WE TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY A YEAR
5 -- ALMOST A YEAR FROM THE DAY OF THE ACCIDENT IN LAKE PIRU, WE
6 TAKE A MOMENT TO REMEMBER A YOUNG MAN, SMOLYANSKY, AND TO
7 SHARE OUR -- PUT OUR ARMS AROUND THE FAMILY AND TO SAY THANK
8 YOU TO THE MEN AND WOMEN OF THE LOS ANGELES SHERIFF'S
9 DEPARTMENT, COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, AND THE PARKS AND
10 RECREATION DEPARTMENT FOR THEIR TIRELESS EFFORTS. I MEAN, THE
11 AMOUNT OF RESOURCES THAT WAS SPENT TO TRY TO FIND THIS ONE
12 YOUNG BOY, WAS INCREDIBLE. BUT IT'S IN THE TRADITION OF PUBLIC
13 SERVICE, IT'S IN TRADITION OF EMERGENCY SERVICE THAT EVERY
14 SINGLE HUMAN LIFE COUNTS, AND AS LONG AS THERE'S A CHANCE THAT
15 WE CAN RECOVER SOMEBODY OR RESCUE SOMEBODY ALIVE, WE DO IT,
16 AND IF WE CAN'T, WE RECOVER THEM SO THAT WE CAN PUT THE FAMILY
17 AT EASE. SO ON BEHALF OF -- WELL, BEFORE WE MAKE THE
18 PRESENTATION, LET ME ASK MIKE ANTONOVICH TO SAY A FEW WORDS.
19 MIKE?

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I THINK YOU YOU SAID IT ALL. OUR LIFEGUARDS,
22 OUR SHERIFF AND FIRE ARE THERE 24 HOURS A DAY, SEVEN DAYS A
23 WEEK, AND THEY WERE THERE TO HELP AND ASSIST AND WE APPRECIATE
24 THEIR LEADERSHIP AND THEIR COMMITMENT. AND AGAIN, OUR
25 CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILY.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. SO LET ME, FIRST OF ALL, PRESENT
3 THIS PROCLAMATION -- MIKE, JOIN ME IN THIS -- TO THE SHERIFF'S
4 DEPARTMENT. PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT, LAKE LIFEGUARDS,
5 RUSS GUINEY. AND TO THE COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT UNDERWATER
6 RESCUE AND RECOVERY TEAM. LET ME ASK THE REPRESENTATIVES OF
7 THE THREE DEPARTMENTS TO SAY A COUPLE OF WORDS. CHIEF?

8

9 **SPEAKER:** ON BEHALF OF THE L.A. COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT AND
10 CHIEF FREEMAN, THE FIRE CHIEF, WE'D LIKE TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE
11 HONORABLE BOARD FOR THIS RECOGNITION. IT COMES TO NO SURPRISE
12 FROM THE WORDS THAT WERE MENTIONED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY
13 THAT OUR MEMBERS ARE BEING RECOGNIZED. THE PARKS AND
14 RECREATION LIFEGUARDS, LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT
15 LIFEGUARDS AND THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT WORKED TIRELESSLY IN
16 ADVANCE, AS FAR AS PREPARATION AND TRAINING TO PROTECT AND
17 SAVE THE LIVES OF CITIZENS OF L.A. COUNTY AND THEIR
18 SURROUNDING COUNTIES. SO ONCE AGAIN, ON BEHALF OF THE L.A.
19 COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, WE'D LIKE TO ACKNOWLEDGE AND THANK THE
20 SUPERVISORS FOR ACKNOWLEDGING OUR PERSONNEL.

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22 **RUSS GUINEY:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR. ON BEHALF OF THE
23 DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION, OUR CONDOLENCES AND
24 SYMPATHY TO THE FAMILY. I ALSO WANT TO RECOGNIZE OUR LAKE
25 LIFEGUARDS, FOR OVER 75 YEARS THEY'VE BEEN THE PRIMARY LAW



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1 ENFORCEMENT AND SEARCH AND RESCUE AGENCY ON OUR INLAND LAKES.
2 AND I WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE HUGO MALDINALDO, OUR CHIEF LAKE
3 LIFEGUARD, AND CHUCK LILIAN, WHO ARE HERE REPRESENTING OUR
4 TEAM. THEY'RE TRAINED IN SPECIAL UNDERWATER RECOVERY TACTICS,
5 AND REALLY WORK TOGETHER WELL WITH THE FIRE DEPARTMENT AND THE
6 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. WE COULDN'T DO IT WITHOUT THE WHOLE
7 TEAM. THANK YOU.

8

9 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU, SIR. ON BEHALF OF THE SHERIFF, I ALSO
10 WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR RECOGNIZING
11 THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND OUR FELLOW PUBLIC SAFETY
12 PERSONNEL FOR ASSISTING IN THIS MISSION. I ALSO WOULD LIKE TO
13 THANK OUR GOOD FRIENDS ON THE PRIVATE RESCUE SIDE, THEY HELP
14 US OUT QUITE A BIT. AND WE APPRECIATE ALL THEIR HELP. THANK
15 YOU.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** LET ME TAKE A MOMENT AND ASK SVIKA BRENNER
18 OF HATZOLAH TO SAY A FEW WORDS ON BEHALF OF HATZOLAH.

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20 **SVIKA BRENNER:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. YOU'LL HAVE TO FORGIVE
21 ME A LITTLE BIT. THESE PROCLAMATIONS BASICALLY SPEAKS FOR
22 THEMSELVES. WE HEARD THE SUPERVISORS' WARM, POWERFUL AND
23 EMOTIONAL WORDS. NOT MUCH TO ADD. NEVERTHELESS, WHAT WE HAVE
24 WITNESSED CANNOT BE JUST IGNORED, AND ON BEHALF OF THE
25 SMOLYANSKIES, ON BEHALF OF THE ENTIRE LOS ANGELES JEWISH



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1 COMMUNITY AND ESPECIALLY ON BEHALF OF HATZOLAH OF LOS ANGELES,
2 WE ARE HERE TO EXPRESS DEEP GRATITUDE AND SINCERE APPRECIATION
3 FOR OUR LOS ANGELES COUNTY RESPONDERS AND COMMEND THEM FOR A
4 PERFORMANCE ABOVE AND BEYOND THE CALL OF DUTY. MY DEAR
5 FRIENDS, COLLEAGUE RESPONDERS, YOUR TIRELESS EFFORTS TO
6 REUNITE A JEWISH SOUL WITH HIS LOVING FAMILY, BRING HIM TO A
7 JEWISH BURIAL, WAS FIRST AND FOREMOST AN EXPRESSION AND A
8 REMARKABLE EXPRESSION OF HUMAN COMPASSION. NEVERTHELESS, NONE
9 OF THIS WOULD HAVE BEEN POSSIBLE WITHOUT THE EXTRAORDINARY
10 DEDICATION AND OUTSTANDING DEVOTION OF EACH AND ONE OF THE LOS
11 ANGELES COUNTY PERSONNEL INVOLVED. IT IS MOST UNFORTUNATE THAT
12 OUR EFFORTS, COLLECTIVE EFFORTS, ARE USUALLY GENERATED AROUND
13 TRAGIC CIRCUMSTANCES. NEVERTHELESS, IT'S COMFORTABLE TO KNOW
14 THAT WE CAN ALWAYS CALL ON YOU, ANY HOUR, AND YOUR REMARKABLE,
15 SWIFT, AND IMMEDIATE RESPONSE TO OUR COMMUNITY NEEDS SPEAKS
16 VOLUMES AND BRINGS TRUE MEANING TO THE DEFINITION OF A FRIEND
17 IN NEED IS A FRIEND INDEED. TO THE COUNTY BOARD OF
18 SUPERVISORS, I CAN ONLY ADD THAT YOU HAVE EVERY REASON TO BE
19 EXTREMELY PROUD OF THE PERFORMANCE OF YOUR WORK FORCE. YOU
20 HAVE PROVEN UNEQUIVOCALLY THE MEANING OF CIVIC-MINDED
21 LEADERSHIP. WE ARE HERE TONIGHT TO COMMIT TO YOU THAT WE WILL
22 NEVER FORGET YOUR EFFORTS. AND FROM THE BOTTOM OF OUR BROKEN
23 HEARTS, WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR LOYAL FRIENDSHIP AND FOR YOUR
24 COMMITMENT TO YOUR MISSION. I HAVE WITH ME HERE YAKOV
25 SMOLYANSKY, THE SON OF THE DECEASED, WHO WOULD LIKE TO PRESENT



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1 A SMALL TOKEN OF APPRECIATION TO THE DIVERS. UNFORTUNATELY, HE
2 MADE ONLY ONE. [APPLAUSE]

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS, THIS PAST WEEK HAS BEEN A
7 CELEBRATION OF THE 69TH ANNUAL NISEI WEEK JAPANESE FESTIVAL,
8 AND WE HAVE THE COURT HERE TODAY REPRESENTING THE COMMUNITY.
9 THEY HAD A VERY WONDERFUL DINNER ON SATURDAY EVENING AND THEN
10 A CORONATION, AND SATURDAY THEY HAD ONE OF THE LARGEST PARADES
11 IN THE HISTORY OF NISEI WEEK WITH THOUSANDS AND THOUSANDS AND
12 THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE COMING TO THIS DOWNTOWN AREA. THE JAPANESE
13 FESTIVAL PROMOTES JAPANESE CULTURE THROUGH SEVERAL EVENTS,
14 INCLUDING CULTURAL EXHIBITS, A STREET ARTS FESTIVAL, GRAND
15 PARADE AND CAR SHOW. FRANCES HASHIMOTO, WHO IS THE PRESIDENT
16 OF THE LITTLE TOKYO BUSINESS ASSOCIATION, IS WITH US THIS
17 MORNING. AND NOW I'D LIKE TO INTRODUCE THE COURT FOR 2009.
18 DANA FUJIKO HEATHERTON REPRESENTS THE PASADENA JAPANESE
19 CULTURAL INSTITUTE. SHE SERVES ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR
20 THE LITTLE TOKYO SERVICE CENTER AND THE ASIAN/PACIFIC ALUMNI.
21 HER GRADUATE DEGREE IS IN AMERICAN LITERATURE AND CULTURE AT
22 THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA-LOS ANGELES. AND FOR THE NISEI
23 WEEK COURT PLATFORM SHE CHOSE THE L.A. 84 PLATFORM. SO, DANA,
24 CONGRATULATIONS. FIRST PRINCESS IS MARISSA SAORI TAMARU,
25 REPRESENTING THE LOS ANGELES JAPANESE AMERICAN CITIZENS LEAGUE



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1 AND THE VENICE JAPANESE COMMUNITY CENTER, GRADUATE FROM THE
2 UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, DEGREE IN PSYCHOLOGY AND
3 EAST ASIAN LANGUAGES AND CULTURES. AND FOR NISEI WEEK
4 PLATFORM, SHE CHOSE THE ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION. SO, MARISSA.
5 OKAY, HOW ARE YOU? FOR THE MISS TOMADACHI, WHICH IS MISS
6 FRIENDSHIP, IS NICOLE KIYOMI MASUDA, WHO REPRESENTS THE
7 JAPANESE AMERICAN LIVING LEGACY AND THE LOFT HAWAIIAN
8 RESTAURANT. SHE IS A GRADUATE FROM CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY
9 CHANNEL ISLANDS IN MATHEMATICS AND HER PLATFORM FOR NISEI WEEK
10 WAS THE CHILDREN'S CANCER RESEARCH FUND. PRINCESS JENNIFER
11 YOKO AKAMINE REPRESENTS THE EAST SAN GABRIEL VALLEY JAPANESE
12 COMMUNITY CENTER, A GRADUATE IN ORGANIZATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS
13 FROM PEPPERDINE UNIVERSITY AND NOW IS PURSUING A DOUBLE
14 MASTER'S DEGREE AT AZUSA PACIFIC UNIVERSITY IN COLLEGE
15 COUNSELING AND STUDENT DEVELOPMENT. HER NISEI WEEK COURT
16 PLATFORM WAS THE COALITION TO ABOLISH SLAVERY AND HUMAN
17 TRAFFICKING. NEXT WE HAVE AIMEE TERUKO MACHIDA, WHO IS
18 REPRESENTING THE GARDENA EVENING OPTIMISTS, GRADUATE FROM THE
19 UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA IRVINE WITH A DEGREE IN PUBLIC
20 HEALTH. AND HER PLATFORM WAS THE J.F. SHEA THERAPEUTIC WRITING
21 CENTER. NEXT PRINCESS IS MICHELLE YUKARI HIROSE, REPRESENTING
22 THE JAPANESE RESTAURANT ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA. SHE STUDIES
23 COMMUNICATIONS AT CALIFORNIA STATE POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY,
24 POMONA. NISEI WEEK PLATFORM, SHE CHOSE FRIENDS OF TOMS. AND
25 PRINCESS WHITNEY LEE ITANO, REPRESENTS THE ORANGE COUNTY



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1 NIKKEI COORDINATION COUNCIL. A GRADUATE FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF
2 HAWAII, WITH A DEGREE IN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION. AND HER
3 PLATFORM IS THE SUSAN G. KOMEN RACE FOR THE CURE. AND FRANCES,
4 DO YOU WANT TO SAY SOMETHING FIRST, OR HAVE THE QUEEN? OKAY.
5 HERE WE GO. THERE WE GO. OKAY.

6

7 **DANA FUJIKO HEATHERTON:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. HONORABLE CHAIRMAN
8 OF THE BOARD, HONORABLE MIKE ANTONOVICH, HONORABLE MOLINA,
9 THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR INVITING US HERE TODAY. MY NAME IS DANA
10 FUJIKO HEATHERTON, AND I AM THIS YEAR'S 2009 NISEI WEEK QUEEN.
11 OVER THE WEEKEND, WE HAD OUR NISEI WEEK CORONATION, OUR 69TH
12 ANNUAL PARADE, AND WE WERE SO THRILLED TO SEE HONORABLE MOLINA
13 AT OUR FIRST ANNUAL TANABATA FESTIVAL AND HONORABLE ANTONOVICH
14 AT OUR PARADE CHEERING US ALONGSIDE OUR FLOAT. THEIR
15 CONTINUOUS SUPPORT PROVES THAT YOU DO NOT HAVE TO BE JAPANESE
16 AMERICAN OR EVEN HAVE TO WEAR A KIMONO TO BE A PART OF THE
17 JAPANESE-AMERICAN COMMUNITY. WE INVITE YOU ALL TO CALL LITTLE
18 TOKYO YOUR HOME AND JOIN US IN THE FESTIVITIES FOR THE REST OF
19 NISEI WEEK GOING ON UNTIL SUNDAY. WE HOPE TO SEE YOU ALL
20 THERE. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

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22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** FRANCES?

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1 **DANA FUJIKO HEATHERTON:** AND AS A SYMBOL OF OUR GRATITUDE, WE
2 WOULD LIKE TO PRESENT YOU WITH THE 69TH ANNUAL COMMEMORATIVE
3 PROGRAM THAT'S PERSONALIZED BY ALL OF US. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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5 **FRANCES HASHIMOTO:** DISTINGUISHED MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF
6 SUPERVISORS, IT'S ALWAYS AN HONOR AND A PLEASURE TO BE HERE.
7 WHEN SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH GIVES US THE CERTIFICATES, BUT IT'S
8 REALLY NICE THAT ALL OF YOU, WE THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR
9 SUPPORT, EVERY YEAR FOR NISEI WEEK. AND THIS IS ONE OF THE
10 HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE GIRLS TO BE ABLE TO COME HERE AND PRESENT
11 YOU WITH THE BOOKLET OF NISEI WEEK. SO HONORABLE SUPERVISOR
12 KNABE, MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS, HONORABLE YAROSLAVSKY. AND ALSO WE
13 ARE IN GLORIA MOLINA'S DISTRICT, BUT WE THANK YOU VERY MUCH
14 FOR ALL YOUR SUPPORT AND WE THANK YOU FOR BEING ABLE TO BE
15 HERE TODAY. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE] (OFF-MIKE CONVERSATIONS)

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17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW WE'RE GOING TO RECOGNIZE THE KONG CHOW
20 BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION ON THEIR 120TH ANNIVERSARY. WE HAVE
21 WILLIAM ENG, WHO IS THE PAST PRESIDENT, CURRENT ADVISOR, WING
22 LU, CHIKEI LOUIE, WALLINGTON KWAN AND OTHERS WHO ARE HERE AS
23 WE RECOGNIZE THEIR ASSOCIATION'S ANNIVERSARY WHICH BEGAN
24 REALLY WITH THE FOUNDING OF GOLD IN CALIFORNIA IN 1849 WHEN
25 CHINESE MIGRATED TO AMERICA, SOME WORKING IN THE GOLD MINES,



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1 OTHERS ON THE RAILROADS AND STILL OTHERS IN FISHERIES, AND
2 FORESTRY AND IN THE RESTAURANT BUSINESS. THE KONG CHOW
3 ASSOCIATION WAS FORMED IN SAN FRANCISCO. AND AT THE BEGINNING,
4 THEIR AIMS AND GOALS OF THE ASSOCIATION WAS BASICALLY A
5 FRATERNAL ASSOCIATION, COMPANIONSHIP, HELPING WITH MONETARY
6 NEEDS AND HELPING IMMIGRANTS TO ADJUST TO THEIR NEW LAND. THEY
7 WERE COMING FROM SUNWEI AND HAKSON GUANGDONG PROVINCE, WHICH
8 MANY KNOW IT AS CANTON IN CHINA. AND ALSO WHEN ONE WOULD PASS
9 ON, THEY WOULD RETURN THE REMAINS OF THE DECEASED MEMBERS BACK
10 TO CHINA SO THAT THEY COULD BE BURIED IN THEIR HOME VILLAGES.
11 THE MEMBERS WERE VERY PROUD AND SELF-SUFFICIENT, TAKING CARE
12 OF THEIR OWN AND NEVER ASKED FOR GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE. TODAY,
13 THE KONG CHOW BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION, A NONPROFIT,
14 NONPOLITICAL ENTITY FOR CHARITABLE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES
15 HELPING THE YOUTH WITH THEIR COLLEGE, WITH THEIR HIGH SCHOOL,
16 WITH THEIR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL. THEY'RE ENTWINED WITH OUR
17 COMMUNITIES PROVIDING SUPPORT TO CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS, OUR
18 RELIGIOUS INSTITUTIONS, AND AS I SAID, WITH SCHOOL
19 SCHOLARSHIPS. THE ASSOCIATION ALSO ENCOURAGES ITS MEMBERS TO
20 BE GOOD CITIZENS, TO BE INVOLVED AT ALL LEVELS OF GOVERNMENT,
21 A SERVICE TO THE AMERICAN COMMUNITY, AT THE SAME TIME
22 PRESERVING THE HERITAGE AND EDUCATING THE YOUNG ONES ABOUT
23 THEIR ROOTS. SO ON THE 120TH ANNIVERSARY, CONGRATULATIONS AND
24 WE WISH YOU 120 MORE HAPPY ANNIVERSARIES. [APPLAUSE]

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1 **WING LU:** ON BEHALF OF KONG CHOW BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION OF
2 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, MY NAME IS WING LU. I THANK YOU FOR THE
3 BOARD OF SUPERVISOR GIVE US THE BEAUTIFUL SCROLLS. OUR
4 ASSOCIATION WAS FOUNDED HERE IN LOS ANGELES IN 1889 ACROSS THE
5 UNION STATION. LATER, WITH THE UNION STATION CONSTRUCTION, WE
6 HAD TO MOVE TO THE NEW CHINATOWN ON NORTH BROADWAY. OUR
7 ANCESTORS COME HERE FROM CHINA. WE COME TO THE UNITED STATES,
8 IN CHINESE WE CALL KOMSAN. ENGLISH MEANS GOLD MOUNTAIN. OUR
9 ASSOCIATION FORMED TO TRY TO GIVE ASSISTANCE AND ALSO PROVIDE
10 A SOCIAL GATHERING PLACE FOR ALL THE MEMBERS. AND TODAY, WE
11 FUND FROM DONATION FROM ALL THE MEMBERS AND ALSO OTHER MEANS.
12 WE CREATE A FOUNDATION FOR THE NEED OF THE AREA, PARTICULARLY
13 CHINATOWN AND ALSO THE SURROUNDING AREA. WE GIVE OUT
14 SCHOLARSHIPS EVERY YEAR. AND ALSO WE HAVE A DIFFERENT
15 CELEBRATION FOR FAMILY. SO WE'LL HAVE GATHERING EVERY YEAR TO
16 SHARE ALL THE FAMILY CUSTOM AND TRADITION. AND THIS YEAR WE
17 HAVE A CELEBRATION OF OUR 120-YEAR ESTABLISHMENT ON THE 22ND
18 ON THIS MONTH. AND ALSO I ALSO THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR
19 ANTONOVICH, FOR YOUR HELP ON CHINESE COMMUNITY. THANK YOU VERY
20 MUCH.

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22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET'S DO A GROUP PICTURE, THEN.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, ANY MORE
25 PRESENTATIONS?



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW WE WOULD LIKE TO INTRODUCE SOME OF THE

3 GREAT -- WE HAVE A GREAT SCHOOL IN THE SAN FERNANDO -- SAN

4 CLARITA VALLEY, I SHOULD SAY, AND ALSO IN THE SAN GABRIEL AND

5 ANTELOPE VALLEY. BUT ONE OF THE SCHOOLS WE'RE GOING TO

6 RECOGNIZE TODAY, THE SCHOOL FROM THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY, AND

7 THAT'S DAMIEN HIGH SCHOOL. AND WE HAVE WITH US FATHER PATRICK

8 TRAVERS, WHO IS THE PRINCIPAL, ALONG WITH THE COACH, CHUCK

9 BALLINGALL AND ASSISTANT COACH NICK FIORI, AND THE STUDENTS

10 WHO ARE THE RECIPIENTS OF THIS GREAT AWARD ARE SEAN HERNANDEZ

11 AND REID ERLICH. THEY TOOK FIRST PLACE IN POLICY DEBATE AT THE

12 NATIONAL SPEECH AND DEBATE TOURNAMENT SPONSORED BY THE

13 NATIONAL FORENSIC LEAGUE IN BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, LAST FRIDAY,

14 JUNE 19TH. 200 DEBATE TEAMS THROUGHOUT THE UNITED STATES BEGAN

15 COMPETITION ON JUNE 15TH. AFTER 15 ROUNDS OF COMPETITION OVER

16 FOUR DAYS, TWO TEAMS REMAINED, AND SURPRISINGLY, THEY BOTH

17 CAME FROM CALIFORNIA. JAMES LOGAN HIGH SCHOOL OF UNION CITY,

18 CALIFORNIA, AND DAMIEN HIGH SCHOOL. IT WAS HELD AT THE

19 BIRMINGHAM CONVENTION CENTER IN FRONT OF SEVERAL HUNDRED

20 COMPETITORS AND COACHES. THE FINAL DEBATE, THE DAMIEN DUO

21 DEBATED A TEAM, AS I SAID, FROM JAMES LOGAN HIGH SCHOOL. AND

22 THAT WAS THE FIRST TIME IN 71 YEARS OF THAT EVENT THAT TWO

23 TEAMS FROM CALIFORNIA COMPETED FOR THE CHAMPIONSHIP. THE

24 TOPIC, RESOLVE THAT THE UNITED STATES FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

25 SHOULD SUBSTANTIALLY INCREASE ALTERNATIVE ENERGY INCENTIVES IN



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1 THE U.S. THE LOGAN TEAM DEFENDED THE AFFIRMATIVE POSITION,
2 DAMIEN TOOK THE NEGATIVE SIDE. AS IT TURNED OUT, EIGHT OF THE
3 ELEVEN JUDGES SIDED WITH DAMIEN AFTER HEARING ARGUMENTS FROM
4 BOTH TEAMS. WITH THEIR AWARD-WINNING RHETORICAL SKILLS, BOTH
5 SEAN AND REID WILL BE HEARD FROM AGAIN AND AGAIN. SEAN WAS
6 AWARDED A FULL TUITION TO THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN
7 CALIFORNIA, WHERE HE WILL BECOME A MEMBER OF THEIR DEBATE
8 TEAM. REID WILL ALSO BE A SENIOR AT DAMIEN HIGH AND HE ENJOYS
9 THE REPUTATION OF BEING THE NATION'S MOST GIFTED HIGH SCHOOL
10 DEBATER. MOREOVER, HIS COACH, CHUCK BALLINGALL, WILL RETURN
11 FOR HIS 28TH YEAR AS DAMIEN'S DEBATE COACH. HE WAS ALSO
12 ELECTED TO THE CALIFORNIA HIGH SCHOOL HALL OF FAME IN 1998 AND
13 THE NATIONAL FORENSICS LEAGUE HALL OF FAME IN 1998, AND THE
14 NATIONAL FORENSICS LEAGUE HALL OF FAME IN 2008. SO, FATHER,
15 YOU'VE GIVEN THEM A GOOD SPIRITUAL FOUNDATION AND A GOOD
16 EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION. AND AS A RESULT, THEY SHOWED DAMIEN
17 THAT THEY ARE ON THE MAP. AND AS A RESULT WE CONGRATULATE --
18 FIRST LET ME GIVE THE FATHER THE PROCLAMATION FROM THE SCHOOL.
19 [APPLAUSE]

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME ASK THE COACH TO SAY A FEW WORDS.

22

23 **CHUCK BALLINGALL:** IT'S AN HONOR TO BE HERE. THANK YOU,
24 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, FOR MAKING THIS POSSIBLE. WE'D ALSO
25 LIKE TO THANK THE PARENTS AND FAMILIES OF SEAN AND REID WHO,



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1 OF COURSE, DID ALL THE HARD WORK. NICK FIORI, WHO DID A GREAT
2 JOB COACHING THEM THAT WEEK AS WELL AS OUR OTHER ASSISTANT
3 COACHES, JUSTIN SCARB, CHASE PATTERSON, CONNOR LA QUINN.
4 ESPECIALLY THOUGH, THE DAMIEN COMMUNITY, FATHER TRAVERS. I'VE
5 BEEN THE DEBATE COACH AT DAMIEN, NOW I'M STARTING MY 28TH
6 YEAR. FATHER TRAVERS HAS BEEN MY PRINCIPAL THE ENTIRE TIME.
7 HE'S BEGINNING HIS 30TH YEAR AS PRINCIPAL AND HIS 47TH YEAR AT
8 DAMIEN HIGH SCHOOL. AND I CAN HONESTLY SAY THAT WITHOUT HIS
9 SUPPORT NONE OF THIS EVER COULD HAVE HAPPENED. SO THANK YOU
10 ALL OF YOU, IT'S A GREAT HONOR TO BE HERE. THANK YOU.

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12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** FATHER, DO YOU WANT TO SAY A COUPLE OF WORDS?
13 YOU CAN SAY A PRAYER FOR US.

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15 **FATHER PATRICK TRAVERS:** IT'S BEEN A GREAT HONOR FOR THESE TWO
16 YOUNG MEN TO ACHIEVE THIS BECAUSE WE'VE BEEN A SCHOOL THAT HAS
17 BEEN COMPETITIVE IN DEBATE FOR MANY YEARS, AND BEEN
18 SUCCESSFUL. AND TO NOW FINALLY REACH THE TOP OF THE HEAP, AS
19 IT WERE, IN THIS YEAR CERTAINLY IS A TREMENDOUS SUCCESS AND
20 I'M PROUD OF THESE TWO YOUNG MEN AND PROUD OF MR. BALLINGALL
21 FOR HIS EFFORTS IN THE PROGRAM ALL OF THESE YEARS. AND NOW
22 THAT HE HAS ACHIEVED A NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP, MAYBE IT'S TIME
23 FOR ME NOW TO RETIRE.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NO, NO, NO. HOW ABOUT OUR STUDENTS, OUR
2 CHAMPION WINNERS.

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4 **REID ERLICH-QUINN:** I HAVE A LOT OF THANKS TO GIVE TO ALL OF MY
5 COACHES. MR. BALLINGALL HAS BEEN GREAT. MR. FIORI WAS NEW THIS
6 YEAR BUT WAS UNBELIEVABLE. ALL OF OUR ASSISTANT COACHES DO AN
7 INCREDIBLE JOB, JUSTIN SCARB I THINK IS PERHAPS THE BEST
8 DEBATE COACH IN THE COUNTRY. CHASE PATTERSON AND CONNOR LA
9 QUINN ARE NOT ONLY MY COACHES BUT SOME OF MY BEST FRIENDS. AND
10 I'D ESPECIALLY LIKE TO THANK MY PARTNER, SEAN, WHO WAS JUST
11 TREMENDOUS THIS YEAR. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

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13 **SEAN HERNANDEZ:** I JUST WANT TO THANK FIRST AND FOREMOST THE
14 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH FOR THIS
15 PRESTIGIOUS AWARD. ALSO, SPECIFICALLY OUR COACH NICK FIORI,
16 LIKE REID SAID, WHO IS THE MAN BEHIND THE SCENES, FILLS IN AT
17 KIND OF A LOT OF THE TOURNAMENTS WE GO TO THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.
18 ALSO I'D LIKE TO THANK FATHER TRAVERS AND THE REST OF THE
19 DAMIEN ADMINISTRATION FOR BEING SO SUPPORTIVE OF OUR PROGRAM.
20 WE APPRECIATE EVERYTHING THAT THEY DO FOR US, EVERY BIT OF
21 FUNDING. WE TRAVEL ALL THE AROUND THE COUNTRY AND THEY FOOT
22 QUITE A LOT OF MONEY FOR US. AND WE REALLY DO APPRECIATE IT.
23 ALSO MY PARENTS, WHO KIND OF TOOK A HIT OVER THE FOUR YEARS
24 TOO, ME BEING GONE, OVER A WEEKENDS, WEEKS, MONTHS FOR DEBATE
25 CAMP. AND SO JUST THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT FOR THE FOUR



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1 YEARS AND I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO THE NEXT FOUR YEARS OF
2 CONTINUING DEBATE AT U.S.C. [APPLAUSE]

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** PAUL IS ONE OF THE ALUMNUS OF THE SCHOOL, MY
5 DEPUTY FOR PLANNING, ALONG WITH DAVE AND ETTA. NOW WE HAVE A
6 LITTLE SHEPHERD MIX NAMED MARTY, EIGHT WEEKS OLD, THIS LITTLE
7 GIRL, LOOKING FOR A HOME. COMES WITH A PINK SWEATER. SO WE
8 KIND OF MATCH TODAY. OH, YEAH, YEAH. AND YOU GET A FACE WASH.
9 (562) 728-4644. OH, YEAH, YEAH. AH, AH. AH.

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11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I THINK IT'S THE JACKET, MIKE.

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13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SHE THINKS WE WENT TO THE SAME TAILOR, SO
14 SHE'S HAPPY. ANYWAY, ANYONE WOULD LIKE TO ADOPT BEAUTIFUL
15 LITTLE MARTY, A LITTLE SHEPHERD MIX, VERY LOVEABLE.

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17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** DON'T HUG ME, MIKE.

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19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OH, YEAH, YEAH.

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. YEAH, I THINK IT'S THE
22 JACKET, MIKE.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AT LEAST IT'S NOT A FIRE HYDRANT.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH. ALL RIGHT. WE HAVE A COUPLE OF
2 HOUSEKEEPING ITEMS HERE. FIRST OF ALL, ON ITEM NUMBER 8,
3 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH IS REQUESTING A TWO-WEEK CONTINUANCE
4 VERSUS A ONE WEEK, AND WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. THEN ON
5 ITEM 4, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY RELEASES HIS HOLD, MOVED BY
6 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.
7 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I MOVE 18 --

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11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I MEAN, 18, EXCUSE ME.

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13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** TO HOLD. MOVE IT FROM A ONE-WEEK DELAY TO
14 HOLD IT.

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16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. I'M SORRY. SO 18

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18 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 8 WAS CORRECT TO TWO WEEKS.

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20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** 18, WE'RE GOING TO HOLD VERSUS CONTINUE,
21 OKAY? 8 IS CONTINUED FOR TWO WEEKS.

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23 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** YES. AND NUMBER 4 WAS JUST APPROVED.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I HAVE BEEN INFORMED, IF I COULD JUST
2 HAVE EVERYONE'S ATTENTION, JUST SO YOU DON'T THINK WE
3 DISAPPEAR ON YOU, THAT THIS BOARD, WE'RE GOING TO ADJOURN THE
4 MEETING FOR JUST A FEW MINUTES TO VISIT -- WE'RE GOING TO
5 RECESS THE MEETING, NOT ADJOURN IT, EXCUSE ME. WE'RE GOING TO
6 RECESS THE MEETING TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION IN REGARDS TO A
7 COUPLE OF LIABILITY ISSUES AND WE'LL BE RIGHT BACK OUT.
8 SUPERVISOR MOLINA, ANTONOVICH.

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10 **[CLOSED SESSION]**

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12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE'RE GOING TO ASK EVERYONE TO PLEASE
13 TAKE A SEAT. IF YOU CAN TAKE A SEAT, PLEASE. WE DO HAVE SOME
14 POTENTIAL CAPACITY ISSUES IN HERE. THERE IS A MONITOR OUT IN
15 THE LOBBY. BUT WE NEED EVERYONE TO TAKE A SEAT. FILL UP ALL
16 AVAILABLE SEATS. A FEW HOUSEKEEPING ITEMS. WE'RE GOING TO
17 PROCEED WITH THE MEETING BECAUSE WE'RE SCHEDULED TO START AT
18 NOON ON THE M.L.K. ISSUE. I'M GOING TO START WITH SUPERVISOR
19 RIDLEY-THOMAS AND SOME ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS, BUT JUST SOME
20 HOUSEKEEPING RULES. THE BOARD DOES NOT ALLOW APPLAUSE OF ANY
21 SORT OR BOOING OR HISSING, NO MATTER WHICH SIDE YOU'RE ON, THE
22 WAVING OF SIGNS AND ANY DISRUPTION. WE HAVE A LARGE CROWD HERE
23 TODAY. I THINK MANY OF US IN THIS ROOM ARE ON THE SAME SIDE,
24 SO THAT'S GOOD. BUT I THINK MORE IMPORTANTLY, WE JUST WOULD
25 APPRECIATE EVERYONE'S COOPERATION SO THAT WE CAN HEAR



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1 SPEAKERS, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, AND WE CAN CONDUCT THIS IN
2 JUST A NICE ORDERLY MANNER AND GET ON TO THE BUSINESS OF WHAT
3 WE REALLY NEED TO DO, AND THAT'S HOW WE CAN PULL THIS ALL
4 TOGETHER TO REOPEN M.L.K. HOSPITAL. SO WE APPRECIATE YOUR
5 COOPERATION IN ADVANCE. THANK YOU FOR YOUR KIND ATTENTION. AND
6 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, YOU'RE UP FIRST. I WOULD ASK THAT
7 YOU WOULD BEGIN WITH YOUR ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS, PLEASE.

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9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. -- [APPLAUSE]

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11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. CHAIR.

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13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** HA-HA. OBVIOUSLY -- THAT'S OKAY. IT'S
14 FUNNY. THAT WAS GOOD TIMING. OKAY. SUPERVISOR?

15

16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU SO MUCH, MR. CHAIRMAN,
17 COLLEAGUES. WE TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY
18 OF THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS. PEGGY NADER, SECOND DISTRICT
19 RESIDENT WHO PASSED RECENTLY, BORN IN HER PARENTS' JEFFERSON
20 STREET HOME IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES IN 1924. SHE LATER
21 WORKED AS A SECRETARY FOR A TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY. SHE
22 MARRIED HER LATE HUSBAND, CHUCK NADER, IN 1950 AT THE
23 CATHEDRAL CHAPEL CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES.
24 SHE WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR HER STRENGTH, A LOVE FOR FAMILY AND
25 WARM CARING. SHE LEAVES TO CHERISH HER MEMORY EIGHT CHILDREN,



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1 CHUCK, JR., MICHAEL, PAM, CINDY, GEORGE, PAUL, FRED, AND
2 KATHY; THREE BROTHERS, JOE, JIM AND BOB; A SISTER, PATRICIA;
3 THREE BROTHERS-IN-LAW, HARRIS, GEORGE, STEVE, ALONG WITH 27
4 GRANDCHILDREN AND ONE GREAT-GRANDCHILD TO BE BORN NEXT MONTH.
5 THE REVEREND FREDERICK J. EIKERENKOETTER, KNOWN AS REVEREND
6 IKE, WELL KNOWN TELEVANGELIST, BORN IN SOUTH CAROLINA, SERVED
7 THE NATION IN THE ARMED FORCES AS CHAPLAIN, THE AIR FORCE AND
8 SERVICES SPECIALIST FOR HAVING FOUNDED SEVERAL EVANGELICAL OR
9 EVANGELISTIC ORGANIZATIONS BEGINNING IN THE '70S. HE'S
10 REMEMBERED FOR REACHING MILLIONS THROUGHOUT THE NATION DURING
11 HIS FOUR PAST DECADES THROUGH TELEVISION, RADIO, MINISTRY. HE
12 LEAVES TO CHERISH HIS MEMORY HIS WIFE, EULA AND HIS SON,
13 XAVIER. JUDI ANN MASON, LOS ANGELES RESIDENT WHO PASSED
14 RECENTLY, A NATIVE OF LOUISIANA. SHE BEGAN HER PROFESSIONAL
15 CAREER IN THEATRE AFTER GRADUATING FROM GRAMBLING STATE
16 UNIVERSITY IN 1977. SHE HAD GREAT SUCCESS AS A PLAYWRIGHT AS
17 WELL AS A TELEVISION AND SCREENWRITER AND PRODUCER FROM AN
18 EARLY AGE. MR. CHAIRMAN, SHE WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR HER
19 DYNAMIC CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE THEATRE COMMUNITY. SHE LEAVES TO
20 CHERISH HER MEMORY HER DAUGHTER, MASON SYNCLAIRE WILLIAMS; HER
21 SON, AUSTIN BARRETT WILLIAMS; HER BROTHER, WILLIE G. MASON,
22 SR.; HER SISTERS, VIOLA M. JOHNSON, AND WALETTA DUNN; AS WELL
23 AS A HOST OF FAMILY AND FRIENDS. PHYLLIS RUSSAW, 50-YEAR
24 RESIDENT OF THE CITY OF COMPTON AND FORMER EMPLOYEE OF THE
25 COMPTON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT. 1968, SHE CO-FOUNDED



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1 COMPTON'S FIRST AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAM, DICKISON COMMUNITY
2 LIGHTED SCHOOLS WITH TWO NEIGHBORHOOD MOTHERS. LATER SHE
3 WORKED IN COMPTON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR 25 YEARS SERVING
4 AS THE DEPARTMENTAL SECRETARY IN SEVERAL DEPARTMENTS. SHE WILL
5 BE REMEMBERED FOR HER FABULOUS PERSONALITY, HER WONDERFUL FUN-
6 LOVING AND FREE SPIRIT, HER DEDICATION TO YOUNG PEOPLE IN THE
7 COMPTON COMMUNITY. SHE LEAVES TO CHERISH HER MEMORY THREE
8 DAUGHTERS, STEPHANIE, REGINA, ADRIENNE; AS WELL AS A HOST OF
9 GRANDCHILDREN, GREAT- GRANDCHILDREN, NIECES, NEPHEWS, AND MANY
10 FRIENDS. BURNIS HARDY, LONGTIME SECOND DISTRICT RESIDENT, WHO
11 PASSED AWAY RECENTLY. A NATIVE OF TEXAS, MOVED TO CALIFORNIA,
12 WHERE SHE RESIDED FOR OVER 50 YEARS. IN THE 1960S, SHE BECAME
13 THE FIRST AFRICAN-AMERICAN SALES MANAGER FOR DARLING SALES/
14 TUPPERWARE. SUBSEQUENTLY, SHE RECEIVED HER A.A. DEGREE FROM
15 L.A. TRADE TECHNICAL COLLEGE IN 1981. AFTER THAT, SHE WORKED
16 FOR THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE FOR 25 YEARS BEFORE
17 RETIRING IN 1998. SHE WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR HER LOVING
18 NATURE, COMPASSION AND COMMITMENT TO HER FAMILY. SHE LEAVES TO
19 CHERISH HER MEMORY TWO CHILDREN, STEVEN HARDY, JAN HARDY, FOUR
20 GRANDCHILDREN, JUDY HARDY, BRANDI CRICLOW, SHEVEK HARDY, AND
21 SIMON HARDY; GENERATIONS OF FAMILY AND A HOST OF FRIENDS.
22 LOUISE MARIE PINION, SECOND DISTRICT RESIDENT WHO RECENTLY
23 PASSED. A NEWARK, NEW JERSEY NATIVE. SHE SERVED IN U.S. ARMY
24 FOR SIX YEARS AS A RESERVIST. SHE FOUGHT IN DESERT STORM AND
25 WAS A DECORATED GULF WAR VETERAN AND MARKSWOMAN. IN 1993,



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1 LOUISE RELOCATED TO CALIFORNIA, WHERE SHE ENGAGED IN
2 PHILANTHROPY, NETWORKING, AND FELLOWSHIP. SHE WAS DIAGNOSED
3 WITH LYMPHOMA AND ACTIVELY RAISED OVER \$4,000 TO AID IN CANCER
4 RESEARCH. SHE LEAVES TO CHERISH HER MEMORY HER MOTHER, ELAINE,
5 HER FATHER AND STEPMOTHER, JOHN AND JUANITA; AND HER SISTER,
6 VERONICA; HER STEPBROTHER STEPHEN; AND A HOST OF FAMILY AND
7 FRIENDS. AND MR. CHAIRMAN, MAY I SAY THAT IT'S FITTING THAT WE
8 PAY SPECIAL TRIBUTE, AS IS THE CASE WITH MANY WHO WOULD BE
9 HERE AND WHO NO DOUBT REMEMBER THE NAME OF MARY B. HENRY, A
10 LONGTIME SECOND DISTRICT RESIDENT WHO PASSED AWAY JUST THIS
11 PAST WEEK. ORIGINALLY MISS HENRY WAS FROM KANSAS. SHE HELPED
12 CREATE THE NATIONAL HEAD START PROGRAM WHILE SERVING ON
13 PRESIDENT LYNDON BAINES JOHNSON'S WAR ON POVERTY TASK FORCE.
14 ADDITIONALLY, SHE CATERED TO THE NEEDS OF MANY COMMUNITIES AS
15 DIRECTOR OF THE AVALON-CARVER COMMUNITY CENTER IN SOUTH LOS
16 ANGELES. SHE FOSTERED AND WORKED VERY HARD ON THE DEVELOPMENT
17 AND RISE OF THE MARTIN LUTHER KING, CHARLES R. DREW MEDICAL
18 CENTER FROM THE ASHES OF THE UPRISING IN WATTS IN 1965. LATER,
19 SHE SERVED THREE TERMS WITH THE COMPTON UNIFIED SCHOOL
20 DISTRICT, PRESSING FELLOW TRUSTEES TO MORE AGGRESSIVELY TACKLE
21 DRUG AND GANG PROBLEMS AND TO BUILD UP POOR CHILDREN'S SENSE
22 OF SELF-WORTH AND SELF-ESTEEM. SHE WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR HER
23 PASSION AND HER COMMITMENT TO CHILDREN AND THE QUALITY OF
24 HEALTHCARE FOR ALL. SHE LEAVES TO CHERISH HER MEMORY THREE
25 SONS, LOUIS, CRAIG, PAUL; HER BROTHER, RAYMOND; SISTERS JOAN



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1 AND GERALDINE, FIVE GRANDCHILDREN AND A HOST OF FAMILIES --
2 FAMILY AND FRIENDS AND A LOVING COMMUNITY. WE REMEMBER FONDLY
3 MARY B. HENRY, AND I WOULD ASK THAT ALL MEMBERS JOIN IN HER
4 MEMORY. THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN.

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THANK YOU. SO ORDERED. SUPERVISOR
7 YAROSLAVSKY?

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9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. I ASK THAT FIRST OF
10 ALL JUST LEARNED THIS MORNING THAT ROBERT NOVAK, THE COLUMNIST
11 AND TELEVISION COMMENTATOR PASSED AWAY THIS MORNING IN
12 WASHINGTON, D.C. AFTER A LONG ILLNESS. I ASK THAT WE ADJOURN
13 IN HIS MEMORY.

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15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL MEMBERS.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ERNST KATZ, 95 YEAR OLD FOUNDER AND
18 CONDUCTOR OF THE JUNIOR PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA OF CALIFORNIA.
19 FOUNDED THE ORCHESTRA IN 1937 WITH FOUR YOUTHS AND BUILT IT
20 INTO A 120-MEMBER ORCHESTRA THAT HAS PLAYED WITH SUCH RENOWNED
21 GUESTS ARTISTS AS ISAAC ZACH STERN, JEROME KERN, MEREDITH
22 WILSON AND RICHARD SHERMAN. ERNST KATZ FINANCED THE JUNIOR
23 PHILHARMONIC ALMOST ENTIRELY OUT OF HIS OWN POCKET, NEVER
24 CHARGING FEES TO HIS YOUNG MUSICIANS, LENDING THEM INSTRUMENTS
25 AND EVEN PAYING FOR THEIR FORMAL ORCHESTRA CLOTHES WHEN



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1 NECESSARY. HE PERSONALLY CONDUCTED THE ORCHESTRA FOR 69 YEARS
2 FROM ITS INCEPTION IN 1937 UNTIL HIS LAST CONCERT IN 2006, AT
3 THE AGE OF 92. ERNST WAS NEVER MARRIED AND IS SURVIVED BY
4 SISTER, SYLVIA GREEN; NEPHEW, GARRET GREEN, WITH WHOM I WENT
5 TO SCHOOL, WHO NOW CONDUCTS THE ORCHESTRA. ANOTHER NEPHEW,
6 TERRY; AND NIECE, LAURIE GREEN GORDON, AND THREE GRAND NIECES.
7 I KNOW THAT ONE OF HIS GREAT -- ONE OF THE GREAT DAYS IN ERNST
8 KATZ'S LIFE IS WHEN HE TOOK THE JUNIOR PHILHARMONIC TO THE
9 DISNEY CONCERT HALL JUST A COUPLE YEARS AGO AND CONDUCTED THEM
10 THERE.

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12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I'D LIKE TO JOIN. ALL MEMBERS.

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14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL MEMBERS. STEVEN ANTHONY AELO, AGE 49,
15 THE HUSBAND OF ASSISTANT COUNTY COUNSEL JOYCE AELO, PASSED
16 AWAY UNEXPECTEDLY THIS PAST FRIDAY. HE LEAVES A SON, ANTHONY,
17 AGE 16, IN ADDITION TO HIS WIFE, JOYCE. FRANCISCO "FRANK"
18 DIAZ, AN I.S.D. MAIL MESSENGER WHO DIED TRAGICALLY ON FRIDAY
19 WHILE DRIVING HIS MAIL DELIVERY ROUTE. MR. DIAZ WAS DRIVING
20 FROM THE NORTH COUNTY AREA SOUTHWARDS WHEN HIS VAN WENT OVER A
21 CLIFF, EJECTING HIM AND CAUSING HIS DEATH. HE WAS MARRIED. WE
22 ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN HIS MEMORY.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL MEMBERS.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** HE LEFT TWO CHILDREN AND HIS WIFE, MARIA.

2 THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNING MOTIONS, MR. CHAIRMAN.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. SO ORDERED. I'D ASK THAT WE
5 ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF REVEREND LLOYD SAATJIAN, BORN AND
6 RAISED IN LONG BEACH, WHO PASSED AWAY RECENTLY, 75 YEARS OLD.
7 HE WAS A GRADUATE OF THE U.S. SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY. HIS MINISTRY
8 INCLUDED SEVERAL, NUMEROUS APPOINTMENTS TO METHODIST CHURCHES
9 IN LONG BEACH, CENTRAL LOS ANGELES, PALM SPRINGS, AND SANTA
10 BARBARA. HE HAD RETIRED AFTER 47 YEARS OF ACTIVE MINISTRY. HE
11 IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF 45 YEARS, MARTHA; DAUGHTER, WENDY;
12 SON, MARK; GRANDCHILDREN DAVID AND RUBEN; AND HIS SISTER,
13 GLORIA DEUKMEJIAN, AND MANY OTHER RELATIVES. HE WILL BE SORELY
14 MISSED. ALL MEMBERS ON THIS, THAT WE ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN
15 THE MEMORY OF KIM DAE-JUNG, FORMER SOUTH KOREAN PRESIDENT, WHO
16 PASSED AWAY LAST NIGHT. HE ENTERED POLITICS DURING THE
17 READMINISTRATION. HE WAS FIRST ELECTED TO THE NATIONAL
18 ASSEMBLY IN 1961 AND ELECTED TO THE PRESIDENCY IN 1997. HE
19 WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR HIS DEVOTION TO THE TASK OF ECONOMIC
20 RECOVERY AND HIS WORK TO PULL THE COUNTRY FROM THE BRINK OF
21 BANKRUPTCY. HE LEAVES TO CHERISH HIS MEMORY HIS SECOND WIFE,
22 LEE HEE-HO, AND THREE SONS. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY BROUGHT IN
23 ON MR. DIAZ. ALSO WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF LYN MORGAN
24 LEDBETTER, A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF CALIFORNIA AND FORMER A.B.C.
25 UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT EMPLOYEE. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER SON,



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1 STEWART, AND FORMER HUSBAND, STAN. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE
2 MEMORY OF JUDGE WILLIAM WINSTON, BORN AND RAISED IN LONG
3 BEACH, SERVED IN THE ARMY AIR CORPS. HE WAS APPOINTED TO THE
4 LONG BEACH MUNICIPAL COURT AND L.A. SUPERIOR COURT. HE RETIRED
5 BACK IN 1993, VERY ACTIVE IN COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION, SURVIVED
6 BY HIS WIFE OF 43 YEARS, ELAINE; DAUGHTERS, REBECCA AND KAREN;
7 A SISTER, LORRAINE; AND SEVERAL GRANDCHILDREN AND ONE GREAT-
8 GRANDCHILD. CARTER HALE BOSWELL, BORN IN LOS ANGELES, GREW UP
9 IN LONG BEACH, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 84. A GRADUATE OF
10 POLY AND LONG BEACH CITY COLLEGE, WHERE HE PLAYED FOOTBALL. HE
11 BECAME AN AIR FORCE FLIGHT INSTRUCTOR. HE WAS VERY INVOLVED IN
12 HIS FAMILY'S PETROLEUM SERVICE BUSINESS, EARNED HIS DEGREE
13 FROM U.S.C. HE WAS VERY ACTIVE IN THE COMMUNITY, ALSO ENJOYED
14 FISHING, GOLF AND FLYING, A VERY GENEROUS MAN, AND WILL BE
15 MISSED BY ALL. SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, BARBARA; SONS, FOX,
16 CARTER, JR.; AND FOUR GRANDCHILDREN. ALSO WE ADJOURN IN THE
17 MEMORY OF RALPH HARPUDER, WHO WORKED FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF
18 HEALTH SERVICES FOR 26 YEARS. PASSED AWAY JULY 31ST. HE IS
19 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, YVONNE; SON, BRIAN; AND TWO
20 GRANDCHILDREN. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF INOLA
21 HENRY, A TEACHER AND CALIFORNIA DEMOCRATIC ACTIVIST, WHO
22 PASSED AWAY RECENTLY AT THE AGE OF 66. SHE WAS VERY ACTIVE
23 OBVIOUSLY IN POLITICS AND TAUGHT FOR TWO DECADES AT NORMANDIE
24 AVENUE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN SOUTH L.A. AND ALSO IN GARDNER
25 ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN HOLLYWOOD. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER SON,



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1 HENRY; AND BROTHERS AND SISTERS. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS. SO
2 ORDERED. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS, I'D LIKE TO ALSO MOVE
5 THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF BOB NOVAK. I WAS TRYING TO
6 SEE HIM WHEN I WAS IN WASHINGTON TWO WEEKS AGO, BUT HE WAS AT
7 THAT TIME BASICALLY UNABLE TO SEE AND HE WAS JUST IN VERY POOR
8 CONDITION. BOB WAS A FIGHTER. HE HAD CANCER, AS YOU KNOW, AND
9 WAS OUT HERE JUST RECENTLY. WE HAD DINNER WITH A FEW OF HIS
10 FRIENDS AND HE PUT UP A COURAGEOUS BATTLE. HE WAS I THINK ONE
11 OF THE TOP JOURNALISTS. AND I REMEMBER GROWING UP WATCHING HIM
12 ON "MEET THE PRESS." BUT HE WAS A VERY TENACIOUS MAN AND HIS
13 RECENT BIOGRAPHY IS ONE THAT I HIGHLY RECOMMEND, IF YOU WANT
14 TO LEARN ABOUT HIS LIFE AND THE VARIOUS ADMINISTRATIONS THAT
15 HE COVERED AS A REPORTER. HE HAD A SPIRITUAL CONVERSION LATER
16 IN LIFE, HE BECAME A ROMAN CATHOLIC. AND HE WAS VERY PROUD OF
17 HIS FAITH, IT GAVE HIM STRENGTH AND COURAGE, ESPECIALLY
18 FIGHTING CANCER AS HE DID. BUT WE AGAIN ADJOURN IN HIS MEMORY.
19 HE WAS A GOOD MAN, A GOOD FRIEND AND A SUPERB REPORTER. ALSO
20 IN MEMORY, WE ADJOURN TODAY IN JOHN QUADE. HE WAS A RESIDENT
21 OF ROSAMOND NEAR LANCASTER. A VETERAN CHARACTER ACTOR WHO
22 APPEARED IN SEVERAL OF THE CLINT EASTWOOD MOVIES. HIS CAREER
23 BEGAN IN THE LATE '60S, ACTUALLY CAME OUT HERE, HE WORKED IN
24 THE AEROSPACE INDUSTRY AND BY CHANCE ONE DAY GOT A LITTLE BIT
25 PART IN A MOVIE. FROM THERE ENDED UP IN MANY MAJOR CHARACTER



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1 ROLES IN TELEVISION AND MOTION PICTURES. HE WAS IN THE
2 "STING," "HIGH PLAINS DRIFTER," "OUTLAW JOSEY WALES," AND
3 "EVERY WHICH WAY BUT LOOSE" AND "ANY WHICH WAY YOU CAN," THE
4 SEQUEL. HE LEAVES HIS SIX CHILDREN AND WIFE, GWEN. IVILE
5 "STANLEY" SMITH, SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY DURING THE
6 '50S. A RESIDENT OF ANTELOPE VALLEY. AND HE WAS ALSO ACTIVE
7 AND WORKED IN THE AEROSPACE INDUSTRY AT LOCKHEED, NORTHROP, AT
8 BELL HELICOPTERS. WILLIAM ALEXANDER, DEPUTY SHERIFF, PASSED
9 AWAY ON AUGUST 5TH. HIS LAST ASSIGNMENT WAS THE COURT SERVICES
10 DIVISION. TONYA BURNS, FIREFIGHTER SPECIALIST WITH THE LOS
11 ANGELES COUNTY. SHE WAS A FIREMAN. SHE WAS BORN THE YOUNGEST
12 OF EIGHT CHILDREN IN NEBRASKA, GRADUATED FROM CHICO HIGH
13 SCHOOL, WHERE SHE HELD THE HIGH JUMP RECORD OF 5'10". SHE
14 RECEIVED A FULL SCHOLARSHIP TO U.C.L.A. AND WAS ON THE TRACK
15 TEAM THAT WON THE N.C.A.A. CHAMPIONSHIP FOR TWO YEARS. HER
16 FATHER WAS LIEUTENANT WITH THE OMAHA, NEBRASKA, FIRE
17 DEPARTMENT. SHE BEGAN HER CAREER AS AN AFRICAN-AMERICAN FEMALE
18 FIRE FIGHTER IN AUGUST OF 1988. SHE COMPLETED HER CERTIFICATE
19 OF COMPLETION IN HAZARDOUS MATERIALS IN 1991, WAS PROMOTED TO
20 THE POSITION OF FIREFIGHTER SPECIALIST IN 1996. SHE IS
21 SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND, JESSE; AND THEIR TWO SONS, JESSE,
22 JR., AND JUSTIN. HARRY DOUGLASS PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 79.
23 HE WAS A SERGEANT RETIRED WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
24 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. AND HIS LAST ASSIGNMENT WAS THE
25 ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION. ROBERT HARRINGTON, FORMERLY OF THE



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1 SAN GABRIEL VALLEY, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 58. HE IS
2 SURVIVED BY HIS SON AND TWO DAUGHTERS, AS WELL AS HIS 90-YEAR-
3 OLD MOTHER. ONE OF THE GREAT HUMANITARIANS, MANY OF YOU HAD
4 THE OPPORTUNITY OF HEARING HIM, AND MANY OF YOUR CHILDREN AND
5 SOME OF YOU HERE MAY HAVE PARTICIPATED, WITH THE JUNIOR
6 PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA, WHICH HE ESTABLISHED, PASSED AWAY AT
7 THE AGE OF 95. HE NURTURED THOUSANDS OF YOUNG MUSICIANS DURING
8 HIS 72 YEARS AS THE FOUNDER AND CONDUCTOR OF THE JUNIOR
9 PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA. STARTED BACK IN 1937. IT GREW FROM
10 FOUR MEMBERS INTO THE 120-MEMBER PHILHARMONIC, FUNDED OUT OF
11 HIS OWN POCKET. HE DID NOT TAKE GOVERNMENT MONEY, IT WAS ALL
12 PRIVATELY FUNDED. A VERY COURAGEOUS MAN AND A VERY DEDICATED
13 INDIVIDUAL TO THE ARTS. HE CONDUCTED HIS FREE PUBLIC CONCERTS
14 AT THE DOROTHY CHANDLER PAVILION AND THE SHRINE AUDITORIUM.
15 PERFORMANCES WERE ALWAYS STARTED WITH THE STAR SPANGLED
16 BANNER. KNOWN FOR ADMITTING GIRLS TO THIS ORCHESTRA FROM ITS
17 INCEPTION, AS WELL AS COMBINING CLASSICAL AND POPULAR MUSIC.
18 DR. KATZ FORMED THE GROUP DURING THE GREAT DEPRESSION TO GIVE
19 YOUNG BOYS AND GIRLS HOPE. THE ORCHESTRA HAS SINCE PLAYED WITH
20 RENOWNED GUEST ARTISTS IN THE WHITE HOUSE CEREMONY WHERE
21 PRESIDENT GEORGE W. BUSH PRESENTED MAESTRO KATZ WITH THE
22 PRESIDENT'S COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER AWARD, ENGRAVED STERLING
23 SILVER MEDALLION. AND HIS LAST CONCERT WAS AT THE DISNEY
24 CONCERT HALL. PAT BOONE AND JUST A NUMBER OF THE STARS WERE
25 THERE AND THEY ALWAYS WOULD PARTICIPATE. BUT A GOOD MAN.



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1 MARILYN LESTER, WHO OPERATED HER OWN FREELANCE BOOKKEEPING
2 SERVICE, BOARD MEMBER OF THE JUNIOR LEAGUE OF PASADENA. SHE
3 TRAINED VOLUNTEERS TO BE COMMUNITY LEADERS AND SHE WAS
4 PRESIDENT IN THE ALTADENA JUNIOR CIRCLE, PASADENA SYMPHONY
5 JUNIORS AND THE PASADENA YOUTH MUSIC COUNCIL AND STANFORD
6 WOMEN OF PASADENA. CORPORAL JAVIER OLVERA WAS KILLED IN
7 AFGHANISTAN. AND HE WAS A UNITED STATES MARINE FROM THE
8 ANTELOPE VALLEY AND PALMDALE, GRADUATE OF REX PARRIS HIGH
9 SCHOOL IN NOVEMBER 2008. ARTHUR HERBERT SCHLEFSTEIN, A
10 FOUNDING MEMBER OF THE CHATSWORTH NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL, SERVED
11 HIS THIRD TERM ON THE BOARD. WAS A COMMUNITY LEADER, SERVED ON
12 THE CHATSWORTH DESIGN REVIEW BOARD, THE CHATSWORTH HISTORICAL
13 SOCIETY, AND THE CHATSWORTH COORDINATING COUNCIL AND A MEMBER
14 OF THE ELKS CLUB, A LONGTIME RESERVE SHERIFF'S DEPUTY AND A
15 BIG BROTHER AND HAM RADIO OPERATOR. HE FOUNDED WIZARD OF OZ, A
16 COMPUTER COMPANY IN CHATSWORTH. FRANCISCO "FRANK" DIAZ, WHO
17 SERVED THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY I.S.D., INTERNAL SERVICES
18 DEPARTMENT.

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20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE DID THAT EARLIER.

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22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HE WAS A COUNTY MESSENGER.

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24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE ALREADY DID THAT. ALL MEMBERS.



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** FRANK WAS A LITTLE SPECIAL TO OUR AREA
2 BECAUSE HE SERVICED OUR AREA OUT IN THE SAN CLARITA AND
3 ANTELOPE VALLEYS. ON FRIDAY, AUGUST 14TH IS WHEN HE HAD AN
4 ACCIDENT. HIS RATING FOR EVALUATIONS IN MARCH RATED HIS
5 OVERALL PERFORMANCE AS OUTSTANDING. AND AS I SAID, HE
6 DELIVERED THE MAIL TO OUR SAN CLARITA AND ANTELOPE VALLEY
7 OFFICES. AND WHILE CAUGHT IN A SNOWSTORM IN LANCASTER, HE ONCE
8 EXERCISED EXCELLENT JUDGMENT BY TAKING SHELTER, ENSURING BOTH
9 HIS SAFETY AND THAT OF A CO-WORKER. ONCE THE STORM HAD BLOWN
10 OVER AND THE ROADS WERE ONCE AGAIN SAFE FOR TRAVEL, HE WAS
11 ABLE TO DELIVER THE MAIL. AND FINALLY, JACK GENTRY, WHO
12 GRADUATED FROM ANTELOPE VALLEY IN 1949, HIGH SCHOOL, WHERE HE
13 MET HIS WIFE. THEY WERE SOON MARRIED, JOALICE. THEN MOVED TO
14 THE VALLEY RANCH AREA. AND HE WAS INVOLVED IN ANTELOPE VALLEY
15 FOR MANY YEARS AND WAS EMPLOYED BY THE AUTO CLUB, WHERE HE
16 RETIRED AFTER 25 YEARS OF SERVICE, SO THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENT
17 MOTIONS.

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19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED. SUPERVISOR MOLINA, DO YOU
20 HAVE ANY ADJOURNMENTS? OKAY.

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22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. CHAIRMAN, WITH YOUR PERMISSION. I'D
23 ASK THE FIFTH DISTRICT TO PERMIT ME, I'D BE HONORED TO JOIN IN
24 THE ADJOURNMENT FOR THE MEMORY OF FIREFIGHTER BURNS.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ALL MEMBERS. WE ARE GOING TO NOW
2 PROCEED. IF WE COULD HAVE EVERYONE'S ATTENTION HERE ON THE
3 SIDES. OVER HERE, STAFF-WISE. WE'RE GOING TO PROCEED WITH
4 ITEMS S-1 AND ITEM 14. I'M FIRST GOING TO CALL UPON SUPERVISOR
5 RIDLEY-THOMAS TO READ IN HIS MOTION FOLLOWED BY THE C.E.O.'S
6 REPORT. AND THEN WE WILL TAKE PUBLIC TESTIMONY. OKAY?
7 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS.

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9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. CHAIRMAN AND
10 COLLEAGUES. I PROCEED AS FOLLOWS: "THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
11 HAS MADE IT CLEAR THAT ONE OF ITS HIGHEST COLLECTIVE
12 PRIORITIES IS TO PROVIDE QUALITY HEALTHCARE SERVICES ON THE
13 M.L.K., JR., MEDICAL CENTER SITE. PURSUANT TO THE BOARD'S
14 DIRECTION AND OVERSIGHT IN MARCH OF 2009, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE
15 OFFICER ANNOUNCED THAT THE COUNTY HAS MADE CONSIDERABLE
16 PROGRESS ON A PROPOSED PLAN INVOLVING THE UNIVERSITY OF
17 CALIFORNIA AND STATE OF CALIFORNIA THAT WOULD LEAD TO THE
18 OPENING OF A NEW MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. HOSPITAL IN LATE
19 2012. THE C.E.O. ALSO CONDUCTED A FEASIBILITY ANALYSIS TO
20 ENSURE THE NEW FACILITY WOULD BE SEISMICALLY COMPLIANT. AFTER
21 PERIODICALLY UPDATING THE BOARD ON PROGRESS, THE C.E.O. NOW
22 SEEKS APPROVAL OF THE M.L.K. CAPITAL PROJECT PROGRAM. THE
23 C.E.O. ALSO SEEKS THE AUTHORITY TO PROCEED WITH FURTHER
24 NEGOTIATIONS OR DISCUSSIONS WITH U.C. REPRESENTATIVES. AND
25 THESE REQUESTED ACTIONS WOULD AFFIRM THE BOARD'S COMMITMENT.



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1 AND I WANT TO UNDERSCORE THE WORD "COMMITMENT" TO OPENING A
2 NEW HOSPITAL DEVOTED TO QUALITY PATIENT CARE AND A STATE-OF-
3 THE-ART FACILITIES AS THE PROPOSED PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT IS
4 SCHEDULED TO BE CONSIDERED BY THE U.C. REGENTS AT ITS MEETING
5 DURING THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY, SPECIFICALLY THE 15TH THROUGH
6 THE 17TH. I THEREFORE MOVE -- "I'M SORRY. SEPTEMBER. I'M
7 SORRY. LET ME MAKE IT CLEAR, NOT FEBRUARY, BUT SEPTEMBER.
8 EVERYBODY SAY SEPTEMBER.

9

10 **ALL:** SEPTEMBER.

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12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** NEXT MONTH. THANK YOU MR. YAROSLAVSKY. SO
13 "I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AUTHORIZE THE
14 C.E.O. TO PROCEED WITH FURTHER DISCUSSIONS U.C.
15 REPRESENTATIVES AS REQUESTED IN ITS MEMO DATED AUGUST 12TH.
16 AND ALSO APPROVE THAT THE M.L.K. CAPITAL PROGRAM AS OUTLINED
17 IN THE C.E.O.'S MEMO DATED AUGUST THE 18TH, INCURRING PROJECT
18 EXPENDITURES AFTER THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS APPROVES A
19 PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT WITH THE U.C. AND THE FINAL CAPITAL
20 FINANCING PLAN. AND FINALLY, MR. CHAIRMAN AND COLLEAGUES, THAT
21 WE DIRECT THE C.E.O. TO IMMEDIATELY REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD
22 OF SUPERVISORS FOR APPROVAL AND DISPOSITION PURSUANT TO THE
23 REGENTS' MEETING." THAT IS MY MOTION AND I SEEK A SECOND, MR.
24 CHAIRMAN, SO THAT WE CAN PROCEED.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. CHAIR WILL SECOND THE MOTION
2 AND IT'S ON THE TABLE. WE'LL NOW CALL ON OUR C.E.O., MR. BILL
3 FUJIOKA FOR THE C.E.O.'S REPORT.

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5 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I'M GOING TO BE JOINED BY
6 SEVERAL MEMBERS OF OUR TEAM THAT HAVE BEEN WORKING ON THIS
7 ISSUE. THIS STARTED IN THE SPRING OF 2008, BUT ACTUALLY WITH
8 RESPECT TO OUR DISCUSSIONS WITH U.C., BUT THIS EFFORT STARTED
9 BEFORE THAT. RECOGNIZING THAT THE OPENING OF KING HOSPITAL
10 REPRESENTS A PRIORITY FOR OUR COUNTY, FOR THIS BOARD AND FOR
11 OUR HEALTHCARE SYSTEM, WE STARTED OUR NEGOTIATIONS OR
12 DISCUSSIONS WITH U.C., AS I STATED, IN THE SPRING OF 2008.
13 WE'VE LITERALLY HAD WEEKLY DISCUSSIONS WITH NOT ONLY THE U.C.
14 BUT ALSO WITH REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE STATE, ACTUALLY THE
15 SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES. WE'VE MADE NUMEROUS
16 TRIPS TO OAKLAND, AND THE U.C. REPRESENTATIVES ALSO MADE TRIPS
17 DOWN TO L.A. TO DISCUSS THIS PROPOSAL IN PERSON. TODAY, I'LL
18 GO OVER THE PROPOSAL ITSELF. BUT WHEN IT'S OVER, I'M GOING TO
19 REQUEST YOUR APPROVAL TO PROCEED WITH FURTHER DISCUSSIONS WITH
20 THE U.C. AND THE STATE, INCLUDING PRESENTING THE COUNTY'S
21 PROPOSAL TO THE U.C. FOR THEIR CONSIDERATION. AND THAT WOULD
22 BE THROUGH THE U.C. REPRESENTATIVES AND WOULD BE SENT TO THE
23 U.C. BOARD OF REGENTS FOR ITS CONSIDERATION AS STATED BY
24 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. I MENTIONED THAT WE'VE HAD A NUMBER
25 OF DISCUSSIONS. PART OF THE DISCUSSIONS WERE ALSO FRAMED BY A



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1 BOARD MOTION IN MARCH OF 2008, PRESENTED BY SUPERVISOR
2 ANTONOVICH, WHICH ASKS FOR TIME FRAMES, ESTIMATED OPERATIONAL
3 COSTS FOR THE STRUCTURE WE'RE TRYING TO CREATE, THE ESTIMATED
4 START-UP COSTS, THE FINANCIAL MODEL AND THEN ALSO SEVERAL
5 LEGAL OPINIONS THAT SPEAK TO THE COUNTY'S OBLIGATION AND THEN
6 SUBSEQUENTLY A LEGAL OPINION WAS PRESENTED THAT SPEAKS TO THE
7 POTENTIAL LIABILITY AS A CONSEQUENCE OF OPENING THIS FACILITY.
8 IN DECEMBER 2008, YOUR BOARD ALSO ASKED US TO DEVELOP A PLAN
9 INCLUDING THE COST ESTIMATES, SCHEDULE, AND OTHER ASSOCIATED
10 ACTIVITIES OR ACTIONS TO TAKE THE EXISTING FACILITY AT THE
11 PRESENT SITE AND TO EITHER RENOVATE THE FACILITY OR CONSTRUCT
12 NEW FACILITIES THAT WILL ACCOMMODATE WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO
13 CREATE AT KING. I'LL GO OVER THAT IN MUCH MORE DETAIL AS WE
14 DEAL WITH ITEM 14. THIS AGREEMENT PROPOSES THE CREATION OF THE
15 OPENING A 120-BED FACILITY BY RENOVATING AN EXISTING TOWER ON
16 THE PRESENT KING SITE. WE LOOKED AT MANY OPTIONS. WE EVEN
17 LOOKED AT THE OPTION OF STAYING IN THE EXISTING FACILITY. AND
18 I'LL SPEAK TO THAT IN MORE DETAIL, BUT JUST BRIEFLY, WE
19 DETERMINED THAT BECAUSE OF EXISTING FACILITY IS NOT
20 SEISMICALLY COMPLIANT, THE APPROPRIATE OPTION WAS TO RENOVATE
21 A TOWER ADJACENT TO THE EXISTING FACILITY THAT IS SEISMICALLY
22 COMPLIANT, BUT TO CREATE A HOSPITAL THAT WOULD HAVE 120
23 LICENSED BEDS, WITH AN AVERAGE DAILY CENSUS OF APPROXIMATELY
24 108. IT WOULD BE A BASIC COMMUNITY HOSPITAL WITH AN EMERGENCY
25 ROOM, BUT IT WOULD ALSO WORK IN CONCERT WITH OUR AMBULATORY



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1 CARE CENTER THAT CURRENTLY EXISTS AT THE FACILITY BUT WILL BE
2 MOVED INTO A BRAND-NEW FACILITY AS PART OF THE CAPITAL PLAN.
3 THIS HOSPITAL, AT LEAST AT THIS POINT, WE ESTIMATE THAT THE
4 HOSPITAL WILL, IN THE EMERGENCY ROOM, SEE AN ESTIMATED 30,000
5 ANNUAL VISITS AND ANOTHER 10,000 OUT-PATIENT VISITS. THAT'S IN
6 ADDITION TO WHAT IS CURRENTLY SEEN IN THE M.A.C.C. IT WILL
7 SERVE AS A CRITICAL SAFETY NET PROVIDER, AND WHAT'S, I THINK,
8 EVEN MORE IMPORTANT, THROUGH A NUMBER OF ACTIONS, INCLUDING AN
9 I.T. INITIATIVE WE HAVE, IT WILL WORK IN COORDINATION WITH
10 COUNTY SERVICES ON THAT SITE AND OTHER PRIMARY CARE AND L.A.
11 AMBULATORY CLINICS WITHIN THAT IMMEDIATE AREA. THE FINANCING
12 FOR THIS FACILITY WILL CONSIST OF \$50 MILLION IN ONE-TIME
13 START-UP MONEY. THAT WOULD BE APPROXIMATELY 10 MILLION PER
14 YEAR OVER THE FIRST FIVE YEARS. THERE WILL BE A \$28 MILLION
15 RESERVE FUND. OF THAT, EIGHT WOULD BE CONTRIBUTED BY THE
16 COUNTY. THERE WOULD BE ANOTHER \$20 MILLION THAT WILL BE MADE
17 AVAILABLE BUT WILL BE PAID BACK BY THE NEW ENTITY AND WILL BE
18 PAID BACK AT THE EXISTING TREASURY BORROWING RATES. THERE WILL
19 BE A \$50 MILLION ONGOING INTERGOVERNMENTAL TRANSFER THAT WOULD
20 BE USED TO DRAW DOWN FEDERAL MATCHING REVENUE. AND THEN
21 ANOTHER \$13.3 MILLION IN ONGOING SUPPORT FOR INDIGENT CARE.
22 IT'S IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT THE \$50 MILLION IN THE I.G.T.,
23 INTERGOVERNMENTAL TRANSFER, AND THE \$13.3 MILLION IN ONGOING
24 FUNDING FOR INDIGENT CARE IS PRESENTLY IN THE DEPARTMENT'S
25 BUDGET. SO IT DOES NOT CREATE AN ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL BURDEN



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1 AS WE MOVE FORWARD WITH RESPECT TO THE ONGOING COSTS. NOW,
2 THESE FUNDING REQUIREMENTS WILL BE SUBJECT TO ANNUAL
3 APPROPRIATION BY YOUR BOARD. ALTHOUGH IT DOES REPRESENT A
4 COMMITMENT, AND WITH THAT A CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATION, IT STILL
5 HAS A NUMBER OF CONTINGENCIES. IT STILL IS ABSOLUTELY
6 CONTINGENT ON THE U.C. MEETING ITS OBLIGATION, AND WITH THAT,
7 THE NEW ENTITY. THE NEW ENTITY, I THINK I'VE MENTIONED, IT
8 WILL BE ESSENTIALLY A NEW NONPROFIT ENTITY THAT WILL HAVE A
9 SEVEN-PERSON BOARD. THE NONPROFIT ENTITY WILL SUBSEQUENTLY
10 CONTRACT WITH AN OPERATOR WHO WILL ACTUALLY RUN THE FACILITY.
11 THE U.C. HAS MADE A COMMITMENT TO PROVIDE PHYSICIAN SERVICES
12 AT THE FACILITY. AND ON THAT NOTE, IT'S THE INTENT TO
13 REESTABLISH A TEACHING PROGRAM AT THE KING SITE. A TEACHING
14 PROGRAM IN ANY PUBLIC ENTITY OR PUBLIC HOSPITAL I THINK
15 PROVIDES THE FOUNDATION OR THE OPPORTUNITY TO PROVIDE THE BEST
16 CARE FOR THE COMMUNITY. THE COUNTY WILL, THROUGH THIS
17 AGREEMENT, WILL COMMIT TO PROVIDING THE PHYSICAL PLANT THROUGH
18 A LEASE OF THE PROPERTY, BUILDINGS, AND DESIGNATED EQUIPMENT.
19 WILL PROVIDE THE FINANCIAL SUPPORT THAT I JUST DELINEATED,
20 WILL PARTICIPATE IN THE CREATION OF THE NONPROFIT ENTITY AND
21 APPOINTMENTS TO THIS BOARD OF DIRECTORS. I MENTIONED SEVEN
22 POSITIONS. WE WILL HAVE TWO APPOINTMENTS INITIALLY. THE U.C.
23 WILL HAVE TWO APPOINTMENTS, WE WILL JOINTLY APPOINT THE
24 REMAINING THREE. SUBSEQUENT APPOINTMENTS WILL BE MADE BY THE
25 NONPROFIT ENTITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS. THE U.C. COMMITMENT WILL



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1 CONSIST OF PARTICIPATING IN THE CREATION OF THE NONPROFIT
2 ENTITY AND APPOINTMENTS TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS PROVIDING
3 PHYSICIAN COVERAGE, INCLUDING PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS, TO ENSURE
4 THAT THE HIGHEST QUALITY CARE IS PROVIDED AT THIS FACILITY.
5 THEY'LL BE DIRECTLY INVOLVED IN QUALITY IMPROVEMENT AND IN
6 ASSURANCE ACTIVITIES AT THE FACILITY, AND TO ESTABLISH OR
7 REESTABLISH A PHYSICIAN TEACHING PROGRAM ON THE CAMPUS. THERE
8 ARE SOME MUTUAL COMMITMENTS THAT BOTH THE COUNTY AND THE U.C.
9 WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR, AND THAT'S TO ENSURE THAT THE NEW
10 ENTITY IS FORMED TO ACT AS A LICENSE HOLDER AND TO CONTROL THE
11 OPERATIONS OF THE FACILITY. IT'S IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT U.C.
12 WILL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE FINANCIAL VIABILITY OF THE
13 HOSPITAL AND ARE NOT LIABLE FOR THE HOSPITAL DEBTS. THIS, AS I
14 STATED EARLIER, FOLLOWS ON OUR RESPONSIBILITY TO ENSURE THAT
15 WE PROVIDE THE FINANCING AND WE ALSO WERE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE
16 CAPITAL DEBTS THAT WILL BE -- THAT WILL RESULT FROM OUR
17 CAPITAL PROGRAM. THE NEW ENTITY, OR THE NONPROFIT ENTITY THAT
18 RIGHT NOW WE'RE CALLING HOSPITAL CO., WILL OPERATE THE
19 HOSPITAL. AND THROUGH THAT, THEY WILL EITHER OPERATE IT
20 DIRECTLY OR CONTRACT WITH AN OPERATOR. AND WITH THAT, THEY'LL
21 PROVIDE THE MANAGEMENT AND STAFF, THEY'LL SET POLICY, THEY'LL
22 MAINTAIN LICENSURE, ACCREDITATION, CERTIFICATION, AND ALL
23 REGULATORY APPROVALS. INDEPENDENT OF THE RESERVE AMOUNT THAT
24 WE'RE PROVIDING, THIS ENTITY WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR
25 MAINTAINING A RESERVE IN THE AMOUNT OF 10% OF THE OPERATING



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1 EXPENSES FOR THIS FACILITY. OUR REPORT GOES ON TO SPEAK TO THE
2 TERM, AND IT WILL BE EFFECTIVE UPON THE EXECUTION OF AN
3 AGREEMENT WITH ALL PARTIES. IT ALSO SPEAKS TO TERMINATION
4 PROVISIONS. I DON'T WANT TO GET PEOPLE UNNECESSARILY ALARMED,
5 BUT TERMINATION PROCEDURES -- OR PROVISIONS, I'M SORRY, SPEAK
6 TO FAILURES ON ANY ONE PART TO MEET ITS OBLIGATIONS, WHICH
7 INCLUDES THE NEW ENTITY'S OBLIGATION TO SECURE LICENSES, JOINT
8 COMMISSION ACCREDITATION, MEDICARE AND MEDI-CAL PROVIDER
9 AGREEMENTS, AND IT GOES ON. IT ALSO SPEAKS TO THE U.C.'S
10 RESPONSIBILITY TO PROVIDE PHYSICIAN SERVICES, AND OUR
11 RESPONSIBILITY TO PROVIDE THE NECESSARY FUNDING FOR THIS
12 FACILITY. WE HAVE WORKED DILIGENTLY ON THIS EFFORT. WE HAVE,
13 AS I SAID, WE'VE MET ON A REGULAR BASIS WITH REPRESENTATIVES
14 FROM BOTH THE U.C. AND THE STATE. WE FEEL WE HAVE PUT TOGETHER
15 A FINANCING STRUCTURE THAT WILL ADD TO THE VIABILITY, NOT ONLY
16 THE FINANCIAL BUT ALSO THE OPERATIONAL VIABILITY OF THE NEW
17 FACILITY. WE HAVE WORKED WITH THE STATE ON OUR FINANCING PLAN,
18 WE'VE WORKED WITH U.C. TO SPEAK TO THE PHYSICIAN OR THE
19 PATIENT CARE ELEMENT TO ENSURE THAT THE HIGHEST QUALITY CARE
20 IS OFFERED AT THIS FACILITY. AND NOW WE FEEL IT'S TIME TO MOVE
21 THIS FORWARD AND WE'RE ASKING FOR YOUR APPROVAL TO LET US DO
22 JUST THAT AND PRESENT OUR PROPOSAL FORMALLY TO THE U.C., WHO
23 WILL SUBSEQUENTLY SUBMIT IT TO THEIR BOARD OF REGENTS FOR
24 THEIR CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL. ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE?

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ANY QUESTIONS OF STAFF BEFORE WE BEGIN
2 THE PUBLIC TESTIMONY? OKAY. A COUPLE THINGS. I'M GOING TO TURN
3 IT OVER TO SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS TO CALL THE SPEAKERS, BUT
4 I THINK FOR THE RECORD, WE WANT TO RECOGNIZE THE FACT THAT
5 SPEAKER BASS HAS SENT A LETTER OF STRONG SUPPORT FOR THE
6 RECOMMENDATION AS WELL AS CONGRESSWOMAN DIANE WATSON. ALL
7 SPEAKERS WILL BE LIMITED TO TWO MINUTES EACH. IF IT'S A
8 DUPLICATION, YOU FEEL IT'S A DUPLICATION, JUST FEEL FREE TO
9 KEEP IT UNDER TWO MINUTES. WE HAVE A LOT OF FOLKS SIGNED UP TO
10 SPEAK, AND SO I'M GOING TO TURN IT OVER TO SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
11 THOMAS TO CALL OUR FIRST GROUP OF SPEAKERS.

12

13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. CHAIRMAN. MAY I
14 REITERATE THE POINT THAT MANY WILL HAVE TAKEN NOTE OF THAT
15 BEGINNING IN DECEMBER, IT WAS WELL ESTABLISHED BY THE CHAIRMAN
16 OF THE BOARD THAT ONE OF THE HIGHEST PRIORITIES FOR THE BOARD
17 WOULD BE MOVING FORWARD WITH THE OPENING OF A NEW M.L.K.
18 MEDICAL CENTER. WE REMAIN CONSISTENT IN OUR RESOLVE TO DO
19 THAT. MAY I THEN CALL ON SEVERAL SPEAKERS. I'M GOING TO ASK
20 YOU TO COME AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE IN A SERIES OF FOUR. BUT
21 BEFORE DOING SO, ALL THOSE WHO ARE SUPPORTIVE OF THE BOARD
22 MOVING FORWARD, I'M JUST GOING TO ASK YOU TO STAND SO THAT YOU
23 CAN BE ACKNOWLEDGED, JUST STAND IF YOU ARE HERE IN SUPPORT OF
24 THIS ITEM TO GO FORWARD. WE APPRECIATE YOUR BEING HERE. WE



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1 ACKNOWLEDGE YOUR BEING HERE. WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR PRESENCE
2 AND PARTICIPATION. [APPLAUSE]

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4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** PLEASE -- PLEASE BE SEATED. I WANT TO CALL
5 ON TESSA CHARNOFSKY, HECTOR FLORES, HARDING YOUNG, AND JAIME
6 GARCIA. IN THAT ORDER, IF YOU WOULD COME AS QUICKLY AS
7 POSSIBLE. NEXT IN THE CUE WOULD BE KEITH NORRIS, JIM MANGIA,
8 AND JANINE GLASS, FOLLOWED BY MICHAEL BANNER. PLEASE BE READY
9 TO COME FORWARD. ALL SPEAKERS ARE GOVERNED BY THE INSTRUCTIONS
10 OF THE CHAIR, WHICH MEANS WE SHOULD PROCEED NOW AND YOU ARE
11 TIMED. MA'AM, PLEASE PROCEED.

12

13 **TESSA CHARNOFSKY:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS TESSA CHARNOFSKY.
14 I'M HERE REPRESENTING ASSEMBLY SPEAKER KAREN BASS. I WANTED TO
15 NOTE BEFORE READING HER LETTER THAT BY VIRTUE OF HER STATUS AS
16 ASSEMBLY SPEAKER, KAREN BASS IS A REGENT OF THE UNIVERSITY OF
17 CALIFORNIA SYSTEM. "DEAR CHAIRMAN KNABE, I AM PLEASED TO
18 SUPPORT THE EFFORT TO REESTABLISH IN-PATIENT SERVICES AT
19 MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. MEDICAL CENTER. QUALITY INPATIENT CARE
20 IS DESPERATELY NEEDED BY THE COMMUNITY RESIDING IN THIS
21 SERVICE AREA. I WHOLEHEARTEDLY SUPPORT THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
22 UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA PARTNERSHIP TO CREATE A PATIENT-
23 FOCUSED HOSPITAL WHERE QUALITY OF CARE AND SERVICE TO THE
24 ENTIRE COMMUNITY IS DELIVERED IN A MODERN STATE-OF-THE-ART
25 FACILITY. I URGE THE BOARD TO APPROVE WITHOUT DELAY THE



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1 PROPOSED PARTNERSHIP WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA THAT
2 CREATES THE NONPROFIT HOSPITAL CO. TO OPERATE 120-BED FACILITY
3 AT KING MEDICAL CENTER AS WELL AS THE ASSOCIATED CAPITAL
4 PROGRAM NECESSARY TO MODERNIZE THE CURRENT FACILITY. PLEASE
5 ADVISE ME IF I MAY BE OF ANY ASSISTANCE RELATED TO ANY STATE
6 LEGISLATIVE EFFORTS REQUIRED IN REESTABLISHING IN-PATIENT
7 SERVICES. SINCERELY, KAREN BASS, SPEAKER OF THE CALIFORNIA
8 STATE ASSEMBLY."

9

10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE,
11 DR. FLORES. YOU MAY RELINQUISH AND THE NEXT SPEAKER MAY COME.

12

13 **HECTOR FLORES:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. CHAIR AND BOARD OF
14 SUPERVISORS. WE APPLAUD YOUR EFFORTS FOR BRINGING US THIS FAR.
15 MY NAME IS HECTOR FLORES. I'M THE CHAIR OF FAMILY MEDICINE AT
16 WHITE MEMORIAL MEDICAL CENTER. I'M ALSO THE VICE CHAIR OF THE
17 FORMER L.A. HEALTHCARE OPTIONS TASK FORCE PUT TOGETHER BY THE
18 CALIFORNIA ENDOWMENT, AND I'M A MEMBER OF THE SOUTH LOS
19 ANGELES HEALTHCARE LEADERSHIP ROUNDTABLE OBVIOUSLY VERY
20 INTERESTED IN TODAY'S DETERMINATIONS. BY QUICK EXAMPLE, WHAT
21 YOU WILL VOTE ON LATER ON THE CAPITAL PROJECT, I CAN COMPARE
22 TO WHITE MEMORIAL'S ECONOMIC IMPACT IN THE COMMUNITY. SO THIS
23 IS NOT ONLY ABOUT A GRAND VISION FOR CARE, A GRAND VISION FOR
24 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, BUT ALSO FOR CREATION OF JOBS AND
25 IMPROVING THE QUALITY OF LIFE IN SOUTH LOS ANGELES. MY FOCUS



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1 TODAY IS TO REALLY INVEST IN BUILDING THE COMPLEMENT TO THIS
2 WONDERFUL CAMPUS AND THAT IS THE PRIMARY CARE NETWORK IN THE
3 COMMUNITY BUILDING ON THE PERFECT PARTNERS, INDEED THE
4 COMMUNITY CLINICS THAT STEPPED UP IN 1995 TO BE PUBLIC/PRIVATE
5 PARTNERS IN AN EXPERIMENT WHICH AT THAT TIME HAD GREAT RISK
6 AND VERY LITTLE PREDICTION OF SUCCESS. SO I COMMEND THEIR
7 EFFORTS AND THEY'RE HERE IN GREAT FORCE TO SUPPORT THIS
8 EFFORT. SECONDLY, BESIDES THE COMMUNITY CLINICS, THE IMPACT
9 HOSPITALS OF WHICH I REPRESENT WHITE MEMORIAL MEDICAL CENTER,
10 MOST ARE OF OUR DISPROPORTIONATE SHARE HOSPITALS ARE VERY
11 INTERESTED IN THE OUTCOME OF AND THE REEMERGENCE OF THE MARTIN
12 LUTHER KING MEDICAL CENTER AND NEW COMPLEX. IN ADDITION TO
13 THIS, M.L.K. HAD A GREAT TRADITION AS A MEDICAL EDUCATION
14 CENTER THAT HAD AN EXEMPLARY TRACK RECORD OF TURNING OUT
15 GREATER THAN 50% OF ITS GRADUATES WORKING IN MEDICALLY
16 UNDERSERVED AREAS. AND THAT SHOULD BE PARAMOUNT IN THE
17 PLANNING IN THE USE OF THOSE 250 SLOTS INTO THE FUTURE. IT
18 SHOULD BE THE BAROMETER OF HOW AND WHERE THOSE ADDITIONAL
19 SLOTS GET DISTRIBUTED, IF NOT UTILIZED AT MARTIN LUTHER KING.
20 SO IN CLOSING, I WOULD RECOMMEND THAT WE LOOK AT FUNDING THIS
21 NEW INITIATIVE, WHAT I WOULD CALL A SUPER PUBLIC/PRIVATE
22 PARTNERSHIP IN MAINTAINING THE SB-474 DOLLARS, MAINTAINING
23 THAT EFFORT. SECONDLY, UTILIZING THE WAIVER FOR STRATEGIC
24 PURPOSES TO DEVELOP THIS NETWORK OF CARE AND TO DEPEND ON THE
25 ECONOMIC STIMULUS AS A WAY OF RESTORING THE CUTS THAT HAVE



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1 BEEN MADE BECAUSE OF THE DRASTIC ECONOMY IN THE STATE OF
2 CALIFORNIA. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY. NEXT
5 SPEAKER, PLEASE.

6

7 **HARDING YOUNG:** YES, I'M DR. HARDING YOUNG. I'M THE POST CHIEF
8 OF STAFF AT ST. FRANCIS MEDICAL CENTER THAT'S ONLY TWO MILES
9 AWAY FROM MARTIN LUTHER KING. I TRAINED AT MARTIN LUTHER KING
10 IN FAMILY PRACTICE '86 THROUGH '89. I CAME FROM ATLANTA,
11 GEORGIA HERE, GRADUATING FROM THE MOREHOUSE MEDICAL SCHOOL
12 WHICH HAS AS ITS MISSION TO SERVE THE UNDERSERVED. AND THIS
13 WAS THE REASON I CAME TO THE PROGRAM AT MARTIN LUTHER KING. I
14 SERVED THERE AND HAVE MANY MENTORS WHO ARE STILL IN THE AREA
15 AND ARE SERVING IN SOUTH L.A., BUT AT THIS TIME, AT THE AGE OF
16 51, MOST OF THE DOCTORS WHO ARE AT ST. FRANCIS HOSPITAL ARE
17 MUCH OLDER THAN I. SO JUST TO PIGGYBACK ON WHAT DR. FLORES HAS
18 SAID, THE TEACHING PROGRAMS ARE MOST IMPORTANT WHICH WILL MOVE
19 FORWARD COMING OUT OF KING. BECAUSE WE HAVE 250 DOCTORS ON OUR
20 STAFF, 80 OF THOSE WHO WERE TRAINED AT THE MARTIN LUTHER KING
21 HOSPITAL. SO DOCS WHO ARE TRAINED IN AN AREA HAVE A TENDENCY
22 TO STAY THERE, SO THAT'S MOST IMPORTANT. I'D LIKE TO ALSO
23 EMPHASIZE THAT I'VE HAD THE OPPORTUNITY AND GIFT TO SERVE AT
24 REMOTE AREA MEDICAL L.A. HERE AT THE FORUM OVER THE LAST FEW
25 DAYS, AND I'VE -- [APPLAUSE]



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2 **HARDING YOUNG:** I GET A FEW EXTRA MINUTES THERE, PLEASE,
3 BECAUSE OF THE APPLAUSE.

4

5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** NO. YOU JUST LOST THOSE MINUTES.

6

7 **HARDING YOUNG:** WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO SAY IS THAT WHAT I WAS
8 MOST IMPRESSED WITH DOWN THERE IS THAT I SERVED A BEAUTIFUL
9 FAMILY MAN AND WIFE WHO WERE BURMESE, WHO WORKED JUST DOWN
10 HERE IN THE JEWELRY DISTRICT WHO WERE NOT DOING SO WELL, WHO
11 NEEDED CARE DOWN THERE. I SERVED A 19-YEAR-OLD YOUNG LADY WHO
12 HAS ADOPTED HER SISTER'S DAUGHTER, WHO HAS PASSED ON, WHO CAME
13 DOWN FOR MEDICAL CARE FOR HERSELF AND ALSO CAME DOWN FOR
14 MEDICAL CARE FOR THE DAUGHTER. I SERVED A 62-YEAR-OLD LADY WHO
15 CAME ALL THE WAY FROM FRESNO BECAUSE SHE'S BEEN HAVING VAGINAL
16 BLEEDING FOR THE LAST NINE MONTHS. I ALSO SERVED PATIENTS WHO
17 CAME FROM THE SAN DIEGO AREA AND SERVED PATIENTS FROM FAR
18 REACHING AREAS. AND THE DEMOGRAPHIC AS FAR AS THEIR COLOR AND
19 THEIR AGE AND THE LIKE IS NOT IMPORTANT. WHAT IS IMPORTANT IS
20 THAT ACCESS TO CARE IN CENTRALIZED AREAS AND KING, THE LOSS OF
21 KING, HAS IMPACTED THAT GREATLY AND THE WHOLE HOSPITAL SYSTEM
22 HERE IN CALIFORNIA. MY PLEDGE IS TO CONTINUE TO SERVE SOUTH
23 L.A. THANK YOU.

24

25 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE]



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2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** NEXT. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

3

4 **JAIME GARCIA:** GOOD MORNING MR. CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE
5 COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS JAIME GARCIA, I'M WITH
6 THE HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. I'M ALSO HERE
7 REPRESENTING MR. JIM LOTT, WHO IS OUR EXECUTIVE VICE
8 PRESIDENT, WHO COULD NOT BE HERE THIS MORNING DUE TO A FAMILY
9 EMERGENCY THAT AROSE AND HE'S ATTENDING TO. BUT I'M HERE TO
10 VOICE THE HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION'S SUPPORT AND WISH TO THANK
11 SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS FOR HIS LEADERSHIP AND
12 COMMITMENT TO REOPENING MARTIN LUTHER KING HOSPITAL. BUT I
13 ALSO WOULD LIKE TO APPLAUD ALL THE OTHER INDIVIDUALS WHO
14 INVESTED COUNTLESS HOURS IN DEVELOPING THE PLAN THAT IS BEFORE
15 YOU TODAY THAT DEMONSTRATES A STRONG COMMITMENT OF RETURNING
16 VITAL AND DESPERATELY NEEDED MEDICAL SERVICES TO SOUTH LOS
17 ANGELES, A POPULATION THAT IS HIGHLY UNINSURED AND CONTINUES
18 TO GROW AND ALSO SUFFERS FROM CO-EXISTING CHRONIC DISEASES.
19 THIS PORTION OF THE COUNTY HAS LESS THAN ONE BED PER 1,000
20 PEOPLE. THIS COMPARES TO THE STATE AVERAGE OF TWO BEDS PER
21 THOUSAND, VERSUS A NATIONAL AVERAGE OF 3.4 BEDS PER THOUSAND.
22 GIVEN THESE STATISTICS OUR ASSOCIATION IS IN STRONG SUPPORT OF
23 THE MOTION THAT IS BEFORE YOU TODAY THAT LAYS THE FOUNDATION
24 FOR BRINGING ONLINE ADDITIONAL BED CAPACITY TO THE RESIDENTS
25 OF SOUTH LOS ANGELES. IT ALSO HELPS BRING SOME RELIEF TO THE



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1 SURROUNDING HOSPITALS WHOSE EMERGENCY ROOMS HAVE BECOME THE
2 PRIMARY SOURCE FOR CARE FOR MANY OF THE RESIDENTS IN SOUTH LOS
3 ANGELES. THANK YOU.

4

5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY. NEXT
6 SPEAKER, PLEASE.

7

8 **KEITH NORRIS:** GOOD AFTERNOON. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. KEITH
9 NORRIS, AND I'M A KIDNEY SPECIALIST. I AM ALSO AN ASSISTANT
10 DEAN FOR TRANSLATIONAL SCIENCE AT THE GEFFEN SCHOOL OF
11 MEDICINE AT U.C.L.A. AND INTERIM PRESIDENT AT CHARLES DREW
12 UNIVERSITY. OVER THE LAST 20 YEARS, I'VE HAD THE PRIVILEGE AND
13 PLEASURE TO CARE FOR THOUSANDS OF PATIENTS AT THE M.L.K., JR.
14 HOSPITAL. AS THE NATION STRUGGLES WITH HEALTHCARE REFORM, FEW
15 VISIONARIES HAVE HAD THE COURAGE TO STEP FORWARD AND FULLY
16 EMBRACE THE CHALLENGE OF TRUE TRANSFORMATION THAT WILL NOT
17 ONLY ADDRESS HEALTHCARE, BUT INSPIRE THE REQUISITE CHANGE IN
18 CONSCIOUSNESS NEEDED TO ONCE AGAIN PLACE OUR CITY AND
19 EVENTUALLY OUR NATION, AS THE LEADER IN HEALTH AND WELLNESS.
20 L.A. COUNTY SECOND DISTRICT SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS AND
21 C.E.O. BILL FUJIOKA'S VISION FOR A COMPREHENSIVE M.L.K.
22 MEDICAL HOSPITAL CAMPUS AS PART OF A REVITALIZED PLAN FOR
23 SOUTH LOS ANGELES IS ONE SUCH PLAN. I BELIEVE THE
24 COMPREHENSIVE MEDICAL CAMPUS WILL BE PIVOTAL IN CREATING THE
25 COMMUNITY-LEVEL MODEL OF HEALTH AND WELLNESS THAT WILL DEFINE



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1 THE FUTURE FOR UNDERSERVED URBAN AND RURAL COMMUNITIES ACROSS
2 OUR NATION. IN 2005, THE COMMONWEALTH FUND ESTABLISHED A
3 COMMISSION ON A HIGH-PERFORMANCE HEALTH SYSTEM, RECOGNIZING
4 THE NEED FOR NATIONAL LEADERSHIP. THIS PROPOSAL IS CONSISTENT
5 WITH EACH OF THE COMMISSION'S SEVEN KEYS FOR HIGH PERFORMANCE.
6 EXTENDING HEALTH INSURANCE TO ALL, PURSUING EXCELLENCE,
7 ORGANIZING CARE IN A COORDINATING MANNER, INCREASING
8 TRANSPARENCY, AND REWARDING QUALITY AND EFFICIENCY, ET CETERA,
9 ET CETERA. AND NOT ONLY ARE EACH OF THESE ACHIEVABLE, BUT IT
10 IS MY BELIEF, AND I'M CONFIDENT WITH THE FULL SUPPORT OF THE
11 BOARD, EACH OF THESE WILL BE ACHIEVED. ON BEHALF OF CHARLES
12 DREW UNIVERSITY, AS WELL AS THE U.C.L.A., HARBOR-U.C.L.A.,
13 CEDARS-SINAI AND CHARLES DREW UNIVERSITY CLINICAL AND
14 TRANSLATIONAL SCIENCE INSTITUTE COLLABORATIVE, WE APPLAUD THE
15 SUPERVISORS FOR PLACING THIS INITIATIVE ON TODAY'S AGENDA AND
16 URGE FULL SUPPORT FOR THIS PROPOSAL. THANK YOU.

17

18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY. NEXT
19 SPEAKER. MAY I CALL THE NEXT FOUR SPEAKERS AS DR. NORRIS TAKES
20 HIS LEAVE. LARK GALLOWAY-GILLIAM, ADRIAN DOVE, JOHN TANNER,
21 DAVID GILLOTTE, IN THAT ORDER PLEASE. AND PLEASE PROCEED. NEXT
22 SPEAKER.

23

24 **MICHAEL BANNER:** MY NAME IS MICHAEL BANNER, I'M THE PRESIDENT
25 AND C.E.O. OF THE LOS ANGELES LOCAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION. I



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1 ALSO SERVE AS A TRUSTEE FOR THE URBAN LAND INSTITUTE, WHICH IS
2 AN INTERNATIONAL REAL ESTATE INSTITUTE THAT FOCUSES ON BEST
3 PRACTICES. WE WERE ASKED TO LOOK AT THE SITE OF THE KING
4 HOSPITAL AND TAKE A MORE EXPANSIVE VIEW OF THE SURROUNDING 100
5 ACRES AND PROVIDE SOME INPUT ON THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
6 IMPACTS OF THE REOPENING OF THE HOSPITAL AND THE LARGER
7 EXPANSION IN THE COMMUNITY. WE BELIEVE THAT WITHOUT THE FULLY
8 FUNCTIONING MEDICAL COMPLEX THAT RESIDES IN THIS COMMUNITY,
9 YOU'RE GOING TO STRUGGLE WITH CREATING A CONTINUING ECONOMIC
10 IMPACT IN THE WATTS WILLOWBROOK COMMUNITY. ALSO IN ITS LARGER
11 IMPACT ON SOUTH LOS ANGELES. WE BELIEVE THAT THERE ARE A
12 NUMBER OF COMMUNITY ASSETS THAT ARE AVAILABLE TO BE INTEGRATED
13 ALONG WITH THIS PLAN THAT'S BEING TALKED ABOUT THAT WILL MAKE
14 THIS A CHANCE TO BE A HIGH IMPACT PART OF THIS PORTION OF THE
15 COUNTY, WHICH WE ALL KNOW STRUGGLES TO HAVE AN ECONOMIC
16 DEVELOPMENT IMPACT. AND IT WILL NOT BE SUCCESSFUL WITHOUT AN
17 ENGINE LIKE THE KING/DREW MEDICAL CENTER. I'M SURE WE COULDN'T
18 IMAGINE THE EFFECT THAT WITH THE DOWNSIZED U.C.L.A. MEDICAL
19 CENTER WHAT WOULD HAPPEN TO WESTWOOD, WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IN
20 PLACES LIKE IRVINE WITHOUT A MEDICAL CENTER AND EVEN IN YOUR
21 OWN DISTRICTS. THE OTHER THING I WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK TO IN
22 REGARD IS THE STRUCTURE. IN RUNNING THE LOS ANGELES LOCAL
23 DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, I FINANCE A LOT OF NONPROFIT SERVICE
24 PROVIDERS WITH THE COUNTY WHO ALL OPERATE OFF YOUR
25 CONTRIBUTIONS OR BUDGETS IN A PUBLIC/PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP



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1 MANNER. IT'S CLEARLY THAT ORGANIZATIONS LIKE THE ASIAN DRUG
2 ABUSE PROGRAM, INFOLINE, 2-1-1, WHICH ARE ALL CLIENTS OF MINE,
3 THERE'S A MODEL THAT SAYS THE PUBLIC/PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP CAN
4 BE SUCCESSFUL IN SUSTAINING THE DELIVERY OF SERVICES THAT THE
5 COUNTY NEEDS TO PROVIDE. I THANK YOU FOR YOUR VISION AND
6 ENCOURAGE YOU TO MOVE FORWARD.

7

8 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR TESTIMONY.
9 NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

10

11 **JIM MANGIA:** GOOD MORNING. JIM MANGIA, C.E.O. OF ST. JOHN'S
12 WELL-CHILD AND FAMILY CENTER. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
13 THOMAS FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP AND FOR THE BOARD FOR YOUR SUPPORT.
14 THE REOPENING OF MARTIN LUTHER KING HOSPITAL IS A CRITICAL
15 ISSUE. NOT ONLY FOR THE HUNDREDS AND HUNDREDS OF PEOPLE WHO
16 CAME TODAY TO VOICE THEIR SUPPORT FOR THE HOSPITAL, BUT FOR
17 THE SOUTH LOS ANGELES AND SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES WHICH HAVE
18 BEEN WITHOUT A HOSPITAL NOW FOR ALMOST TWO YEARS. AT ST.
19 JOHN'S AND THE SOUTH SIDE COALITION CLINICS, OF WHICH WE ARE A
20 PART, WE SEE PATIENTS EVERY DAY WHO DRIVE THEMSELVES TO THE
21 CLINICS WITH HEART ATTACKS, GUNSHOT WOUNDS, AND STROKES
22 BECAUSE WE DON'T HAVE A HOSPITAL FACILITY IN THE AREA. THE
23 REOPENING OF THIS HOSPITAL IS CRITICAL. I WANT TO THANK
24 EVERYONE WHO CAME TODAY, AND SPECIFICALLY THANK THE MORE THAN
25 200 PATIENTS FROM ST. JOHN'S WELL CHILD AND FAMILY CENTER WHO



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1 CAME TO VOICE THEIR SUPPORT FOR THE REOPENING OF THE HOSPITAL,
2 AND THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS.

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4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE]

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6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. TANNER, MR. GILLOTTE, PLEASE COME
7 FORWARD. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

8

9 **JANINE GLASS:** MY NAME IS JANINE GLASS, AND I REPRESENT THE
10 L.A. AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. AND THE CHAMBER IS HERE TODAY
11 TO STRONGLY SUPPORT THESE TWO MOTIONS THAT WILL HELP US TO
12 FINALLY REOPEN MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. HOSPITAL. THE HOSPITAL
13 IS NOT ONLY CRITICAL TO HEALTH AND WELL BEING OF ITS
14 SURROUNDING RESIDENTS, IT'S ALSO A VITAL COMPONENT OF OUR
15 REGION'S HEALTHCARE SAFETY NET, AN IMPORTANTLY PART OF OUR
16 ECONOMY. LAST YEAR OUR CHAMBER ENDORSED THE CONCEPT OF THE
17 UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA PARTNERSHIP IN OPERATING THIS
18 HOSPITAL THROUGH AN INDEPENDENT NONPROFIT BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
19 WE APPLAUD EVERYONE WHO HAS WORKED SO HARD TO GET US TO THIS
20 POINT, ESPECIALLY SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS. JUST AS THE
21 ORIGINAL HOSPITAL WAS BORN OUT OF THE ASHES OF THE 1965 WATTS
22 RIOTS, WE HOPE A NEW HOSPITAL WILL BE BORN OUT OF THE
23 IMPORTANT LESSONS LEARNED OVER THESE PAST FEW YEARS. TODAY IS
24 A MAJOR STEP TOWARDS THIS NEW DAY, THE LOS ANGELES AREA
25 CHAMBER OF COMMERCE LOOKS FORWARD WITH WORKING WITH ALL OF YOU



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1 TO HELP REOPEN MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. HOSPITAL. THANK YOU
2 VERY MUCH.

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4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY. MR. DOVE.

5

6 **ADRIAN DOVE:** THANK YOU. MY NAME IS ADRIAN DOVE, AND I'M HERE
7 TODAY ON BEHALF OF THE COALITION OF THE COMMUNITY
8 ORGANIZATIONS AND CIVIL RIGHTS ORGANIZATIONS OF SOUTH CENTRAL
9 LOS ANGELES, SPECIFICALLY THE BLACK HEALTH TASK FORCE CONGRESS
10 OF RACIAL EQUALITY, AND IT'S OUR PLEASURE AND OUR DELIGHT,
11 WE'VE HAD A GREAT CONCERN WITH THIS HOSPITAL AND THE
12 UNIVERSITY IN BEING ABLE TO TESTIFY TODAY AT YOUR INITIATIVE
13 AT THE COUNTY AND WE APPLAUD THE VISION OF SECOND DISTRICT
14 SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS AND THE C.E.O., BILL FUJIOKA.
15 AND WE BELIEVE THAT THE REOPENING OF THE HOSPITAL IS NOT ONLY
16 A HEALTH ISSUE, BUT IT ALSO IS A LINCHPIN OF THE COMMUNITY AND
17 OF THE EDUCATIONAL ASPIRATIONS AND WE APPLAUD IT AND THANK YOU
18 FOR CONSIDERING IT TODAY.

19

20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. APPRECIATE YOUR BEING
21 HERE. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

22

23 **JOHN TANNER:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. OR GOOD AFTERNOON,
24 RATHER. MY NAME IS JOHN TANNER, I'M THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF
25 S.E.I.U. LOCAL 721. WE'RE HERE TO SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF THE



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1 MOTIONS HERE. ONE OF OUR TOP PRIORITIES IS TO HELP RESTORE
2 FULL MEDICAL CARE TO SOUTH LOS ANGELES. WE WANT TO ENSURE THAT
3 THE HIGHEST QUALITY MEDICAL CARE FROM OUT-PATIENT SERVICES,
4 EMERGENCY AND TRAUMA CARE TO REGULAR CHECKUPS AND NEONATAL
5 CARE IS AVAILABLE TO RESIDENTS IN THE AREA. WE BELIEVE THE
6 BEST WAY TO ENSURE QUALITY A HEALTHCARE SYSTEM IS IF FRONTLINE
7 WORKERS, FROM NURSES TO DOCTORS TO NURSING ASSISTANTS TO
8 CUSTODIANS ARE INVOLVED IN THE DESIGN OF THE NEW KING. A GOOD
9 FIRST STEP IS A PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN THE FRONTLINE WORKERS AND
10 THE COUNTY AND HOSPITAL MANAGEMENT. WE PROPOSE USING A MODEL
11 SIMILAR TO THAT IMPLEMENTED ACROSS THE KAISER HEALTHCARE
12 SYSTEM, WHICH HAS ACHIEVED THE HIGHEST DEMONSTRATED AND
13 MEASURABLE QUALITY OUTCOMES IN THE INDUSTRY. OUR PARTNERS AT
14 KAISER AND AT S.E.I.U. ARE READY TO WORK WITH US TO UNDERTAKE
15 THIS EFFORT. THIS IS THE KIND OF INNOVATION THAT CAN BE
16 READILY ESTABLISHED IN OUR COUNTY HEALTHCARE SYSTEM. OUR
17 MEMBERS WANT TO BE PROUD OF THE JOBS THEY DO AND SUPPORT
18 WHOLEHEARTEDLY WORKING WITH MANAGEMENT TO REOPEN A STRONG KING
19 HOSPITAL. WE HAVE AN HISTORIC OPPORTUNITY TO ESTABLISH THE
20 BEST CARE ANYWHERE AT THE NEW KING, AND WE STAND READY TO WORK
21 WITH YOU TO ACCOMPLISH THIS VITAL GOAL. THANK YOU.

22
23 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE APPRECIATE YOUR
24 TESTIMONY. DAVE GILLOTTE, PLEASE. [APPLAUSE]



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1 **DAVID GILLOTTE:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS DAVE GILLOTTE, AND
2 I'M THE PRESIDENT OF THE L.A. COUNTY FIREFIGHTERS LOCAL 1014,
3 BUT I WEAR A COUPLE OF OTHER HATS HERE COMING THIS MORNING.
4 I'M ALSO A FULL-TIME FRONTLINE FIRE CAPTAIN. I'VE GOT 20 YEARS
5 EXPERIENCE AS A PROFESSIONAL FIREFIGHTER, A PARAMEDIC, AN
6 ENGINEER, AND NOW FIRE CAPTAIN. BUT MOST IMPORTANTLY, FOR THE
7 LAST 10 YEARS, I'VE WORKED IN MARTIN LUTHER KING HOSPITAL'S
8 JURISDICTION. AND MOST RECENTLY, I AM IN FACT A FIRE CAPTAIN
9 IN COMMAND OF A PARAMEDIC ENGINE COMPANY AND A PARAMEDIC SQUAD
10 LOCATED AT 1815 EAST 120TH STREET. 10 DAYS A MONTH, I RESIDE
11 IN THE SECOND DISTRICT. [APPLAUSE]

12

13 **DAVID GILLOTTE:** I MUST TELL YOU THAT FIRST THING THAT NEEDS TO
14 BE SAID IS TO THANK SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, THE CHAIRMAN AND
15 ALL THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, THE C.E.O. AND ALL THE
16 STAKEHOLDERS FOR YOUR COMMITTED WORK TO BRING THIS HERE TODAY
17 AND YOUR CONTINUED WORK TO GET THE HOSPITAL OPEN BY 2012. IT'S
18 NOT BEEN AN EASY TASK. IT WON'T BE AN EASY TASK GOING FORWARD.
19 YOU'RE TO BE COMMENDED. LET ME GIVE A LITTLE PERSPECTIVE ON
20 THE URGENCY ISSUE. THE CLOSURE OF MARTIN LUTHER KING HOSPITAL,
21 SPECIFICALLY THE EMERGENCY ROOM AND THE TRAUMA CENTER,
22 AFFECTED FRONTLINE CARE IMMENSELY. WHEN WE ROLL OUT, WE TRY TO
23 GET THERE WITHIN 5 MINUTES OR LESS TO TAKE CARE OF PATIENTS.
24 ONCE WE GET THE PATIENTS TAKEN CARE OF AND WE DELIVER ADVANCED
25 LIFE SUPPORT TO STABILIZE THE PATIENT, WE THEN GO TO A



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1 HOSPITAL WHERE CONTINUED AND INCREASED LEVELS OF MEDICAL CARE
2 CAN BE DELIVERED TO THE PATIENT. WHEN THE HOSPITAL CLOSED
3 MARTIN LUTHER KING, WE HAVE NOW BEEN FORCED TO TRAVEL IN A
4 ROUND-ROBIN FASHION TO OTHER HOSPITALS INCREASING THOSE
5 TRANSPORT TIMES BY 5, 10, 15 AND SOMETIMES 20 MINUTES. WELL,
6 TIME MATTERS IN MY BUSINESS WHEN TREATING THE MOST CRITICALLY
7 INJURED AND ACUTELY SICK PATIENTS. STABBING, SHOOTINGS,
8 CARDIAC CALLS, RESPIRATORY CALLS. TIME MATTERS. AND IN FACT,
9 I'VE SEEN THE DEMISE OF SOME PATIENTS AS A RESULT OF HAVING TO
10 TRAVEL FARTHER. BY YOUR COMMITMENT TO REOPEN THE HOSPITAL, USE
11 THE U.C. SYSTEM TO GET A GOOD SYSTEM OF QUALITY CARE IN PLACE,
12 YOU WILL ONCE AGAIN OPEN A HOSPITAL TO WHERE WE CAN SEE LIVES
13 SAVED, AND IF EVEN ONE LIFE IS SAVED AS A RESULT OF YOUR
14 ACTIONS, YOU'RE TO BE COMMENDED AND IT WOULD BE A TESTIMONY TO
15 YOUR ACTIONS TODAY. THANK YOU.

16

17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE APPRECIATE YOUR
18 TESTIMONY VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE]

19

20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKERS, JIM
21 MORTON, MARGUERITE LAMOTTE, REVEREND EDUARDO VICKERS, AND AIDE
22 CASTRO IN THAT ORDER, IF YOU WOULD COME FORWARD. AND MA'AM, IF
23 YOU'D TAKE THE MIKE AND PROCEED.

24



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1 **LARK GALLOWAY-GILLIAM:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MY NAME IS LARK
2 GALLOWAY-GILLIAM. I'M THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY
3 HEALTH COUNCIL. AND I'M HERE TODAY TO ENCOURAGE YOU TO KEEP
4 THE FIRE BURNING. I WANT TO THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
5 THOMAS, FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP AND YOUR CONTINUED DRIVE ON THIS
6 ISSUE. WE KNOW THAT THIS BOARD FACES SIGNIFICANT FINANCIAL
7 CRISIS, AS DOES THE STATE, AS DOES THE NATION. BUT THIS, THE
8 OPENING OF THIS HOSPITAL, CANNOT BE COMPROMISED. THE OPENING
9 OF THIS HOSPITAL MUST BE YOUR NUMBER ONE PRIORITY. IF THERE
10 WERE OTHER OPTIONS, WE WOULD NOT BE HERE TODAY, BUT THE STATE
11 REQUIRES THAT THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES BE THE PROVIDER OF
12 LAST RESORT AND THAT IS WHERE WE ARE IN SOUTH LOS ANGELES. WE
13 LOOK TO YOU TO SAVE LIVES. IT CONCERNS ME THAT WE DON'T KNOW
14 WHAT HAS REALLY HAPPENED IN THE WAKE OF A CLOSURE OF THIS
15 HOSPITAL. IT CONCERNS ME THAT WE DON'T HAVE THE STATISTICS AND
16 DATA THAT THE FIRE CHIEF JUST TALKED ABOUT. WE NEED TO KEEP
17 OUR EYE ON THIS ISSUE, SUPERVISOR. WE CANNOT LET THIS GO TO
18 THE BACK BURNER. THIS MUST HAPPEN AND IT MUST HAPPEN NO LATER
19 THAN 2012. DO YOU UNDERSTAND HOW MANY PEOPLE ARE PUT AT RISK
20 IN THE NEXT TWO YEARS WHILE WE WAIT FOR THIS TO HAPPEN? YOU
21 MUST BE DILIGENT, YOU MUST DO EVERYTHING IN YOUR POWER. I
22 APPRECIATE THE FACT THAT MR. FUJIOKA HAS BEEN ASSIGNED THIS
23 TASK AND THIS IS ONE OF YOUR HIGHEST PRIORITIES. WE NEED THAT
24 LEVEL OF LEADERSHIP, CONTINUED LEADERSHIP UNTIL THE DOORS ARE
25 OPEN. WE'RE LOOKING FOR A HOSPITAL THAT STARTS WITH 120 BEDS



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1 BUT CONTINUES TO GROW TO MEET THE NEEDS OF THIS COMMUNITY. DO
2 NOT LET US DOWN. DO NOT LET THIS COMMUNITY SUFFER ANY LONGER.
3 MAKE THIS HAPPEN FOR SOUTH LOS ANGELES AND FOR THE L.A. COUNTY
4 OVERALL. THANK YOU.

5

6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE]

7

8 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

9

10 **EDUARDO VICKERS:** DISTINGUISHED MEMBERS, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
11 FELLOW CITIZENS, MY NAME IS REVEREND EDUARDO VICKERS,
12 ASSOCIATE PASTOR OF FIRST AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.
13 I'M HERE TO REPRESENT OUR SENIOR PASTOR REVEREND DR. JOSEPH
14 HUNTER AND THE 19,000 MEMBERS OF FIRST AFRICAN METHODIST
15 EPISCOPAL CHURCH. WE APPLAUD SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS FOR HIS
16 VISION, COURAGE AND TENACITY. AND WE WHOLEHEARTEDLY SUPPORT
17 THIS EFFORT. I WAS CHOSEN TO REPRESENT OUR CHURCH BECAUSE OF
18 MY BACKGROUND. I RECENTLY RETIRED AFTER 31 YEARS OF SERVICE AS
19 A REGISTERED NURSE. THE LAST 12 YEARS AS A NURSE AT ROYBAL
20 COMPREHENSIVE CENTER, SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S DISTRICT. THE FACT
21 THAT I'M HERE TODAY IS BECAUSE I KNOW FIRSTHAND, I'VE SEEN THE
22 NEED AND I KNOW WHAT IT WILL TAKE. SO I'M HERE TO OFFER MY
23 SERVICE AND THE SERVICE OF ALL CONGREGATION, WHATEVER WE CAN
24 DO TO PUT THIS EFFORT FORWARD. YOU CAN COUNT ON US. AND AGAIN,



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1 WE APPLAUD YOUR TENACITY, WE APPLAUD YOUR COURAGE. AND
2 WHATEVER IT TAKES, WE ARE HERE TO SUPPORT YOU. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, REVEREND. NEXT
5 SPEAKER, PLEASE.

6

7 **AIDE CASTRO:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS AIDE CASTRO, MAYOR PRO
8 TEM OF THE CITY OF LYNWOOD. I'M HERE ALONG WITH THE LYNWOOD
9 SENIORS. THERE'S APPROXIMATELY 26 OF THEM. THERE WOULD HAVE
10 BEEN MORE OF THEM, BUT THE REST OF THEM ARE AT "THE PRICE IS
11 RIGHT." BASICALLY, I'M HERE AS AN ELECTED OFFICIAL. I NEED THE
12 SUPPORT OF HIGHER ELECTED OFFICIALS LIKE YOU. AND LET ME BEGIN
13 BY THANKING ALL OF YOU FOR MAKING THIS SUCH A PRIORITY, AND
14 ESPECIALLY MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS FROM THE SECOND DISTRICT FOR
15 KEEPING HIS PROMISE. THIS IS SOMETHING HE SAID HE WOULD DO FOR
16 OUR COMMUNITY AND HE'S FOLLOWING THROUGH WITH THAT. BUT MOST
17 IMPORTANTLY IN THE BEAUTIFUL CITY OF LYNWOOD, WE HAVE A
18 WONDERFUL TRAUMA CENTER, ST. FRANCIS MEDICAL CENTER. BUT
19 UNFORTUNATELY, WITH MARTIN LUTHER KING HOSPITAL NOT BEING
20 THERE, OUR EMERGENCY ROOM IS SUFFERING THE CONSEQUENCES OF IT.
21 THE QUALITY OF SERVICE IS NOT WHERE IT SHOULD BE BECAUSE
22 THEY'RE INUNDATED WITH PATIENTS ON A DAILY BASIS. AND AS YOU
23 HEARD THE OTHER GENTLEMAN STATE, THEY'RE HAVING TO DRIVE IN
24 VICTIMS OF SHOOTINGS AND STABBINGS INTO OUR HOSPITAL, WHICH IN
25 TURN IS MAKING THE RESIDENTS OF LYNWOOD HAVING TO WAIT MORE



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1 FOR EMERGENCY NEEDS. THE HOURS OF WAIT CAN SOMETIMES RANGE
2 ANYWHERE FROM FOUR HOURS TO EIGHT HOURS. AND IT IS JUST
3 REALLY, REALLY AFFECTING THE QUALITY OF SERVICE, AND NOT TO
4 MENTION THE FACT THAT IF YOU GUYS WERE TO HOPEFULLY APPROVE
5 THIS TODAY, YOU GUYS ARE GOING TO SPARK THE ECONOMIC
6 DEVELOPMENT OF THAT AREA. YOU ARE GOING TO GENERATE DESPERATE
7 NEEDED JOBS IN OUR COMMUNITY. EVERYTHING FROM THE DOCTORS TO
8 THE ULTRASOUND TECHNICIANS TO THE NURSES, THE JANITORS, THE
9 RECEPTIONISTS. EVERYTHING IS DESPERATELY NEEDED. AND FROM
10 THERE YOU WILL SPARK THE NEED OF RETAIL SERVICES AROUND IT. SO
11 PLEASE TAKE ALL OF THAT INTO CONSIDERATION AND LET'S NOT WAIT
12 FOR THE HIGHER GOVERNMENT TO DO WHAT WE NEED TO DO TO SPARK
13 OUR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT. THANK YOU.

14

15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY. [APPLAUSE]

16

17 **MARGUERITE LAMOTTE:** MY NAME IS MARGUERITE POINDEXTER LAMOTTE.
18 I AM A SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER FOR DISTRICT ONE IN LOS ANGELES.
19 CHAIRMAN KNABE AND MEMBERS OF THIS AUGUST BODY, IT IS INDEED A
20 PRIVILEGE TO BE HERE AS A CITIZEN OF THIS COUNTRY AND OF THIS
21 COUNTY. AND IT IS NOT A PRIVILEGE FOR US TO HAVE QUALITY
22 EDUCATION AND QUALITY HEALTHCARE, IT IS A RIGHT. AND AS A
23 CONSTITUENT OF THIS COMMUNITY [APPLAUSE] I RECOGNIZE AND I
24 APPRECIATE THE MEMBERS OF THIS BODY, ESPECIALLY MY PERSONAL
25 REPRESENTATIVE, MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS, WHO HAS WORKED SO HARD ON



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1 THIS BEHALF. AND I URGE YOU TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATIONS,
2 ALL RECOMMENDATIONS TODAY, IF IT'S FINANCIAL, PARTNERSHIP,
3 ENVIRONMENTAL, WHATEVER THE RECOMMENDATION IS THAT WILL ENSURE
4 THAT THE MARTIN LUTHER KING MEDICAL CENTER REOPENS. I URGE YOU
5 TO APPROVE AND SUPPORT THOSE EFFORTS TODAY. LIKE EDUCATION,
6 QUALITY HEALTH CANNOT REMAIN AN OPTION FOR OUR CHILDREN AND
7 THE MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY. QUALITY HEALTH MUST BE A
8 PRIORITY, AND I KNOW YOU WILL GIVE US THAT SIGNAL WITH YOUR
9 APPROVAL TODAY. THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE]

12

13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** PLEASE PROCEED. I'LL CALL JIM DEAR,
14 ROOSEVELT DORN, JACKIE GOLDBERG, AND BARBARA SIEGEL, IN THAT
15 ORDER. PLEASE COME FORWARD, SIR.

16

17 **JIM MORTON:** YES. JIM MORTON, COUNCILMAN, CITY OF LYNWOOD. MY
18 COLLEAGUE ON THE COUNCIL EXPRESSED IT QUITE WELL. BUT I WOULD
19 JUST LIKE TO ADD A FEW OTHER THINGS. LIKE SHE HAS, I'VE
20 RECEIVED SO MANY COMPLAINTS ABOUT THE TRAUMA CENTER AND
21 EMERGENCY CENTER BEING SO OVERCROWDED. BUT WE ALL UNDERSTAND
22 THAT. THAT'S TAKEN UP THE BURDEN THROUGH ALL THE DIFFERENT
23 HOSPITALS THAT'S TRYING TO REPLACE THAT AREA OF MARTIN LUTHER
24 KING, AND WHICH CANNOT BE REPLACED BECAUSE PEOPLE NEED THE
25 SERVICES INSTANTLY, NOT 10 MINUTES OR FIVE MINUTES, HOWEVER IT



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1 TAKES TO GET TO THE OTHER HOSPITAL. FOR EXAMPLE, ONE OF THE
2 RESIDENTS IN LYNWOOD WAS TELLING ME WHEN SHE HAD A
3 MISCARRIAGE, SHE WENT TO ST. FRANCIS. AND IT WAS SO CROWDED,
4 SHE WAS THERE PRACTICALLY ALL NIGHT LONG WAITING TO GET
5 SERVICED. AND SIX MONTHS LATER, SHE HAD ANOTHER MISCARRIAGE,
6 AND RATHER THAN GO TO ST. FRANCIS, SHE DROVE ALL THE WAY TO
7 DOWNEY COMMUNITY HOSPITAL. A PERSONAL EXPERIENCE OF MINE, I
8 HAD CUT MY HAND PRETTY BAD AND I COULDN'T GET IT TO STOP
9 BLEEDING. AND I KNEW HOW BUSY ST. FRANCIS WAS, SO I DROVE TO
10 DOWNEY COMMUNITY HOSPITAL. IT'S NOT FAIR TO EVERYBODY IN THE
11 SECOND DISTRICT TO HAVE THIS HOSPITAL CLOSED. AND WE PLEAD
12 WITH YOU TO CONSIDER OPENING IT BECAUSE THE WHOLE COMMUNITY
13 NEEDS IT DESPERATELY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE]

14

15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE. PROCEED.

16

17 **JIM DEAR:** YES. TO THE CHAIRMAN AND HONORABLE SUPERVISORS, I'M
18 THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF CARSON. MY NAME IS JIM DEAR, AND I'M
19 HERE TO ENCOURAGE YOU TO PASS THIS MOTION TODAY. I DON'T WANT
20 TO REITERATE TESTIMONY ALREADY GIVEN, THAT'S ALL VERY
21 IMPORTANT, THE JOBS, THE HEALTHCARE, EVERYTHING THAT NEEDS TO
22 BE DONE. AND I APPLAUD YOU, THE FIVE SUPERVISORS, THE LEADERS
23 OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, TO FOLLOW THROUGH WITH THIS
24 GREAT REOPENING OF THE HOSPITAL. AND I THANK ALL FIVE OF YOU



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1 FOR VOTING "YES" ON THIS MOTION TODAY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH,
2 FROM THE CITY OF CARSON.

3

4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MAYOR DEAR. SIR?

5

6 **ROOSEVELT DORN:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF
7 SUPERVISORS AND CERTAINLY MY SUPERVISOR, SUPERVISOR MARK
8 RIDLEY-THOMAS, IT IS INDEED MY PLEASURE TO BE HERE THIS
9 AFTERNOON TO REPRESENT THE ALL-AMERICAN CITY OF INGLEWOOD. WE
10 HAVE HOSTED THE RURAL HEALTH PROGRAM IN THE CITY OF INGLEWOOD
11 FOR THE PAST 11 DAYS OF THIS IS THE 11TH DAY, AND THAT ALONE
12 HAS SHOWN THE WORLD THE GREAT NEED FOR MEDICAL CARE IN THIS
13 AREA. THIS IS NOT A RURAL AREA. [APPLAUSE]

14

15 **ROOSEVELT DORN:** BUT YET WE HAVE THE SAME PROBLEMS THAT THE
16 RURAL AREAS HAVE. THAT IS, WE DO NOT HAVE QUALITY MEDICAL
17 CARE. AND IN MANY INSTANCES, WE DON'T HAVE MEDICAL CARE AT
18 ALL. I PRAY THAT ALL OF YOU STEP FORWARD AND PASS THIS MOTION.
19 AND I CAN'T THANK SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS ENOUGH FOR HIS
20 VISION AND KEEPING HIS PROMISE. AND I CAN TELL YOU THIS, IF
21 YOU PASS THIS MOTION AND REOPEN MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., THAT
22 WILL CERTAINLY GIVE ME THE IMPETUS TO TRY TO ENCOURAGE THE
23 COUNCIL IN INGLEWOOD TO REOPEN DANIEL FREEMAN. I THINK THAT'S
24 POSSIBLE. [APPLAUSE]

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1 **ROOSEVELT DORN:** I KNOW THAT'S POSSIBLE, AND WE'RE GOING TO
2 NEED IT, AND WE NEED IT TODAY. GOD BLESS YOU AND THANK YOU SO
3 VERY MUCH.

4
5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH MAYOR DORN. MY
6 COLLEAGUE.

7
8 **JACKIE GOLDBERG:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE AUGUST BODY OF
9 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS JACKIE GOLDBERG. I AM
10 REPRESENTING MYSELF, BUT DAILY I PASS MARTIN LUTHER KING SITE
11 BECAUSE I AM BACK IN COMPTON WORKING WITH MIDDLE SCHOOL
12 TEACHERS WITH U.C.L.A., AND WE ARE VERY AWARE IN COMPTON OF
13 THE LOSS OF THIS HOSPITAL, WE ARE VERY AWARE OF IT. I SEE
14 CHILDREN AND FAMILIES REALLY ON A DAILY BASIS DURING THE
15 SCHOOL YEAR WHO SIMPLY DO NOT HAVE A PLACE TO GO THAT'S VERY
16 NEARBY FOR THE SERVICES THEY USED TO GET, SO I WANT TO THANK
17 MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS FOR HIS LEADERSHIP. I WANT TO ALSO THANK
18 EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU BECAUSE I KNOW THAT THESE ARE VERY
19 DIFFICULT FINANCIAL TIMES FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, BUT
20 THIS COMMITMENT IS BASIC BECAUSE CHILDREN CAN'T LEARN IF THEY
21 ARE NOT HEALTHY. IT'S JUST AN ABSOLUTE RULE, THEY CANNOT
22 LEARN. I DON'T CARE WHAT QUALITY TEACHER YOU HAVE, I DON'T
23 CARE HOW SMALL THE CLASS SIZE IS, IF THE KID IS FEELING REALLY
24 BUM AND IS SICK AND CAN'T GET ATTENDED TO IN TIME AND
25 APPROPRIATELY, THEY ARE NOT GOING TO DO WELL IN SCHOOL. SO



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1 THIS IS A CRITICAL EDUCATIONAL ISSUE AS WELL AS A HOSPITAL
2 ISSUE AND HEALTH ISSUE. AND I KNOW EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU
3 KNOW THAT, SO I WON'T TAKE ANY MORE OF YOUR TIME, BUT JUST TO
4 THANK YOU FOR DOING THIS, THANK MY SUPERVISOR FOR HER
5 LEADERSHIP, WITH COUNTY HOSPITAL. AND TO TELL YOU THAT I HOPE
6 THAT THIS WILL BE SOMETHING THAT WILL JUST RISE UP AND SHINE
7 AND BE A PART OF THE GENERAL WELL BEING OF THAT PART OF LOS
8 ANGELES AND SOUTH L.A. COUNTY, INCLUDING COMPTON. THANK YOU
9 VERY MUCH.

10

11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE]

12

13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WE'RE NEARING THE HOUR OF 1:00. I'M GOING
14 TO CALL THE LAST ROUND OF SPEAKERS AND THEN WHAT WE'RE GOING
15 TO DO IS ACKNOWLEDGE THE BALANCE OF THOSE WHO WISH TO BE HEARD
16 BY WAY OF GIVING YOUR NAME AND QUICKLY SAYING "I SUPPORT." SO
17 FOR RIGHT NOW, ARTURO YBARRA, SALLY HAMPTON, JOSE GONZALEZ,
18 TIMOTHY WATKINS, IN THAT ORDER, PLEASE. PLEASE PROCEED, MA'AM.

19

20 **BARBARA SIEGEL:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS BARBARA SIEGEL, I'M
21 AN ATTORNEY WITH NEIGHBORHOOD LEGAL SERVICES. IT'S A LEGAL
22 SERVICES ORGANIZATION SPECIFICALLY TO SERVE THE LOW INCOME
23 RESIDENTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. WE OPERATE THE HEALTH
24 CONSUMER CENTER, WHICH IS A PATIENT RIGHTS ADVOCACY GROUP FOR
25 LOW INCOME RESIDENTS OF THE COUNTY. WE ALSO OPERATE ON SITE AT



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1 ST. JOHN'S WELL CHILD AND FAMILY CENTER, A MEDICAL-LEGAL
2 COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP WHERE WE SEE FIRSTHAND THE DEVASTATION
3 THAT HAS BEEN CAUSED BY THE LACK OF A HOSPITAL IN SOUTH LOS
4 ANGELES. I AM VERY PLEASED TO BE HERE TODAY TO BOTH THANK THIS
5 BOARD AND TO SEE THAT THIS BOARD IS SHOWING AN ABSOLUTE
6 COMMITMENT TO REESTABLISHING A HOSPITAL ON SITE AT MARTIN
7 LUTHER KING. I WANT TO THANK BOTH THE BOARD AND THE C.E.O.'S
8 OFFICE FOR PUTTING THE TIME AND EFFORT INTO THIS. ON BEHALF OF
9 THE CLIENTS THAT WE SERVE, I WOULD ASK THAT THE COMMUNITY HAS
10 A ROLE AND THAT THE PROCEEDINGS THAT WILL BE TAKING PLACE IN
11 THE FUTURE TO REESTABLISH THIS HOSPITAL ARE TRANSPARENT AND
12 OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. WE WOULD LIKE TO REPRESENT OUR CLIENTS IN
13 ANY STAKEHOLDER OR OTHER MEETINGS THAT ARE HELD. AND WE
14 BELIEVE THAT THIS WILL SERVE TO THE BENEFIT OF ALL RESIDENTS
15 AT THE COUNTY, NOT JUST SOUTH LOS ANGELES. WE ARE VERY EXCITED
16 THAT THE COUNTY IS GOING TO OPEN WHAT WE BELIEVE WILL BE A
17 QUALITY HOSPITAL IN SOUTH LOS ANGELES TO SERVE THE COUNTY.
18 THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR EFFORTS.

19

20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY. [APPLAUSE]

21

22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MA'AM, PROCEED.

23

24 **SALLY HAMPTON:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS SALLY
25 HAMPTON, AND I WILL MAKE THIS VERY SHORT AND SWEET BECAUSE I



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1 DO KNOW THAT YOU APPRECIATE SHORT AND SWEET. I'M HERE ON
2 BEHALF OF THE RESIDENTS OF WINDSOR HILLS IN VIEW PARK TO
3 EXPRESS OUR VERY STRONG SUPPORT FOR THE REOPENING OF THIS
4 HOSPITAL. AND I BASICALLY AGREE WITH MOST OF THE COMMENTS THAT
5 WERE MADE BY THE PREVIOUS SPEAKERS, AND WE APPLAUD SUPERVISOR
6 RIDLEY-THOMAS AND THE ENTIRE COUNTY FOR MAKING THIS A
7 PRIORITY, AND ALL OF YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT. BECAUSE WE TRULY DO
8 NEED A STATE-OF-THE-ART WELL MANAGED AND NOT-FOR-PROFIT
9 HOSPITAL TO PROVIDE THE HIGHEST QUALITY CARE TO ALL OF OUR
10 CITIZENS. AND IN HONOR OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, I WOULD LIKE TO
11 LEAVE YOU WITH HIS WORDS. "OF ALL THE FORMS OF INEQUITY,
12 INJUSTICE IN HEALTHCARE IS THE MOST SHOCKING AND THE MOST
13 INHUMANE." THANK YOU.

14

15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR TESTIMONY. [
16 APPLAUSE]

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18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. GONZALEZ, MR. YBARRA AND FINALLY, MR.
19 WATSON.

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21 **ARTURO YBARRA:** GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN, HONORABLE MEMBERS
22 OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN. MY NAME IS
23 ARTURO YBARRA, I'M THE DIRECTOR OF THE WATTS/CENTURY LATINO
24 ORGANIZATION AND AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE SOUTH LOS ANGELES
25 COALITION FOR EQUALITY HEALTHCARE. AS YOU KNOW, ALL OF US ARE



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1 DEEPLY CONCERNED WITH THE HEALTH CRISIS, THE DISGRACEFUL CUTS
2 IN HEALTHCARE SERVICES AND OVERALL JUST THE LACK OF A MEDICAL
3 INSTITUTION CAPABLE OF PROVIDING QUALITY HEALTHCARE SERVICES
4 TO THE PEOPLE OF WATTS, COMPTON, WILLOWBROOK AND OTHER AREAS
5 OF SOUTH LOS ANGELES. WE ARE HERE TO SUPPORT THE PROMISE OF
6 OUR SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS TO REOPEN A STATE-OF-THE-ART
7 MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. MEDICAL CENTER WITH AT LEAST 120 BEDS
8 BY 2012. I ALSO WANT TO STATE THE FOLLOWING FOR THE RECORD. WE
9 STRONGLY ENCOURAGE THIS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO DEVELOP A PLAN
10 "B" ALONG WITH PUBLIC AND PRIVATE HEALTH AGENCIES CONSIDERING
11 A WELL-ANNOUNCED PANDEMIC THAT MAY HIT OUR VERY OWN
12 COMMUNITIES BY FALL THIS YEAR. IT WILL BE HORRENDOUS TO SEE
13 MEN, WOMEN AND CHILDREN DYING LEFT AND RIGHT. AND OUR PUBLIC
14 AND HEALTHCARE AUTHORITIES ARE ARGUING THAT THEY WERE TAKEN BY
15 SURPRISE. PLAN "B" SHOULD INCLUDE THE IMMEDIATE REOPENING OF
16 THE MEDICAL CENTER ON EMERGENCY BASIS, IF NECESSARY. FINALLY,
17 MR. SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS, IN THE AFTERMATH OF YOUR
18 INAUGURATION, YOU SAID THAT YOUR FIRST PRIORITY WILL BE THE
19 WELL BEING OF OUR FAMILIES AND COMMUNITIES. WE BELIEVE YOU AND
20 WE WILL HAVE -- YOU WILL HAVE OUR TOTAL SUPPORT BECAUSE WE
21 KNOW THAT YOU WILL HONOR YOUR PROMISE AND WE KNOW THAT YOU
22 WILL INCLUDE A BALANCED COMMUNITY REPRESENTATION AND
23 TRANSPARENCY IN THE DECISION MAKING PROCESS. WE NEED THE
24 IMMEDIATE -- THE REOPENING OF THE MEDICAL CENTER AS SOON AS
25 POSSIBLE, BUT NO LATER THAN 2012. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.



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2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR TESTIMONY. [
3 APPLAUSE]

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5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. GONZALEZ.

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7 **JOSE GONZALEZ:** YES. I'M THE SPOKESPERSON FOR THE SOUTH CENTRAL
8 QUALITY HEALTHCARE ORGANIZATION. I'M ALSO THE HEALTH TASK
9 FORCE CHAIRMAN OF THE LATIN BUSINESS ASSOCIATION AND THE TASK
10 FORCE CO-CHAIR OF THE LATINO COALITION. I MENTIONED THESE
11 ORGANIZATIONS BECAUSE OF THE COMMITMENT THAT WE HAVE IN A
12 BROADER SCALE FOR REOPENING THE HOSPITAL. AND I ENCOURAGE YOU
13 ALL TO TAKE THE STEP AND TO BE PART OF A MASTER PLAN TO
14 REINTRODUCE THE NECESSARY COMMITMENT TO THAT COMMUNITY THAT
15 WAS STARTED BACK 30 SOME YEARS AGO WHEN THE COMMUNITY HAD NO
16 HOSPITAL AND TODAY WE HAVE TWICE THE POPULATION THAT WE HAD
17 THEN. MY ORGANIZATIONS THAT I PARTICIPATE IN ARE COMMITTED TO
18 WORKING WITH YOU ALL AS MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. AND I THANK
19 SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS FOR HIS LEADERSHIP AS A
20 SUPERVISOR. AND WE OFFER OUR PARTICIPATION AND COMMITMENT TO
21 THIS ENDEAVOR. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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23 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY. FINAL
24 SPEAKER.

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1 **TIMOTHY WATKINS:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS TIMOTHY WATKINS,
2 I'M THE PRESIDENT AND C.E.O. OF THE WATTS LABOR COMMUNITY
3 ACTION COMMITTEE. W.L.C.A.C. HAS BEEN INVOLVED IN THE
4 DEVELOPMENT OF THE HOSPITAL, THE SHOPPING CENTER, THE
5 UNIVERSITY, AS WELL AS OVER A MILLION SQUARE FEET OF REAL
6 ESTATE AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN THE AREA IN SUPPORT OF THE NOTION
7 THAT A VIBRANT COMMUNITY COULD BE BUILT IF THERE WAS A HEALTHY
8 CENTER. AND WHAT WE'VE WATCHED OVER THE PAST MONTH OR SO WITH
9 THE NATIONAL -- THE NATIONAL ARGUMENT ABOUT WHETHER OR NOT,
10 YOU KNOW, ONE PORTION OF THE POPULATION NEEDS MORE
11 GOVERNMENTAL INVOLVEMENT IN HEALTHCARE, WHAT WE'VE LEARNED IS
12 THAT IN A COMMUNITY WHERE WE'RE DEALING WITH PEOPLE THAT ARE
13 NO LONGER MIDDLE CLASS OR LOWER CLASS, OFTENTIMES WE'RE
14 TALKING ABOUT A SUB-LOWER CLASS THAT'S SUFFERING WITHOUT ANY
15 ALTERNATIVE. YOU'VE HEARD THE PEOPLE TALK ABOUT EIGHT-HOUR
16 WAITS IN ROOMS AND HAVING TO WAIT TO GET TO HOSPITALS AND SO
17 ON. MY CONCERN IS FOR THE PIECE THAT ASSEMBLY MEMBER JACKIE
18 GOLDBERG SPOKE TO. AND SHE DIDN'T SAY IT DIRECTLY, BUT SHE
19 TALKED ABOUT HOW ILL THE COMMUNITY IS IN TERMS OF OTHER
20 ASPECTS OF QUALITY OF LIFE. WHEN YOU TALK ABOUT ILLITERACY
21 RATES, WHEN YOU TALK ABOUT JOBLESSNESS, HOMELESSNESS, AND ALL
22 OF THE OTHER ASPECTS OF QUALITY OF LIFE THAT GO UNDERSERVED IN
23 SPA 6, I'D ENCOURAGE THE SUPERVISORS TO READ YOUR OWN REPORT
24 ON THE QUALITY OF LIFE INDICATORS ACROSS THE SPECTRUM IN SPA
25 6, AND YOU'LL FIND THAT SPA 6 IS AT THE VERY, VERY BOTTOM OF



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1 THE LADDER IN TERMS OF HEALTH QUALITY. AND SO NOT ONLY DO WE
2 NEED TO PROVIDE A FACILITY THAT SAVES GUNSHOT VICTIMS AND STAB
3 WOUND VICTIMS AND SO ON, WE NEED TO MAKE SURE THAT IF THIS IS
4 GOING TO BE A NONPROFIT VENTURE, THAT ANY REVENUE THAT
5 GENERATES BEYOND WHAT IT COSTS TO RUN THAT FACILITY BENEFITS
6 BACK TO THE SPA 6 RESIDENTS AND THOSE PEOPLE WILL BE PRIMARY
7 BENEFICIARIES. WE NEED TO COVER THE QUALITY OF LIFE SPECTRUM.
8 THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE]

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10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MR. CHAIRMAN, WE'D
11 LIKE TO THANK ALL OF THOSE WHO HAVE SPOKEN. MAY I CALL TO YOUR
12 ATTENTION LETTERS HAVE COME IN SINCE WE BEGAN FROM THE
13 FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS: CONGRESSWOMAN JANE HARMON WRITES IN
14 SUPPORT OF THE EFFORT TODAY. COUNCILMAN MIKE GIBSON, WHO I
15 BELIEVE IS HERE, WRITES IN SUPPORT OF THE EFFORT TODAY FROM
16 THE CITY OF CARSON. AND FINALLY MARIA ELENA DURAZO, EXECUTIVE
17 SECRETARY TREASURER OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY FEDERATION OF LABOR
18 WRITES IN SUPPORT OF THE EFFORT TODAY. MANY OF US KNOW THAT
19 SHE RECENTLY EXPERIENCED THE DEATH OF HER MOTHER AND IS
20 SIGNIFICANTLY WHY SHE COULD NOT BE HERE TODAY. WITH YOUR
21 PERMISSION, MR. CHAIRMAN, THERE ARE SEVERAL OTHER PERSONS
22 WISHING TO BE ACKNOWLEDGED. I PROPOSE THAT WE DO SO. THOSE WHO
23 ARE IN FAVOR, WE WILL APPRECIATE THE FACT THAT YOU HAVE
24 SUBMITTED THE APPROPRIATE DOCUMENTS. AND IF I WERE TO JUST



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1 SIMPLY CALL YOUR NAME, IF YOU WOULD STAND AND BE ACKNOWLEDGED
2 AS IN FAVOR, THAT WOULD BE IN ORDER.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE'LL ALSO MAKE SURE THAT THE RECORD
5 REFLECTS THAT THE INDIVIDUALS THAT SIGNED UP WILL BE A PART OF
6 THE PERMANENT RECORD.

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8 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. AND
9 STEVEN STEVE VASQUEZ FROM THE EMPOWERMENT COUNCIL, WOULD YOU
10 STAND PLEASE. HARRY MCELROY IS FROM THE EMPOWERMENT CONGRESS.
11 LEON JENKINS FROM THE LOS ANGELES N.A.A.C.P. JOYCE A. KELLY
12 FROM WATCHDOGS FOR COMPTON. WILLIAM KEMP FROM THE CITY OF
13 COMPTON. CHARLES PATRICK FROM THE CITY OF COMPTON. GWEN
14 PATRICK, FROM THE CITY OF COMPTON. DR. SUZANNE DE BENEDITTIS
15 FROM THE CITY OF CULVER CITY, CITIZEN COALITION FOR A SAFE
16 COMMUNITY. EMILY HART-HOLIFIELD FROM THE CITY OF COMPTON.
17 JOSHUA KIM, SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA SOBER-LIVING COALITION. CELES
18 KING, CONGRESS OF RACIAL EQUALITY. JOHN HERNANDEZ,
19 WATTS/CENTURY LATINO ORGANIZATION. RON HAYES FROM THE VISIONS
20 OF HEAVEN CHURCH OF GOD AND CHRIST, THE VISIONS COMMUNITY
21 OUTREACH COMMUNITY CENTER. FELICIA JONES, FROM HEALTHY
22 AFRICAN-AMERICAN FAMILIES. HENRY BROWN FROM W.L.C.A.C., ZELDA
23 HUTCHERSON FROM THE CALIFORNIA SENIOR LEGISLATURE. BETTY
24 LUCKETT, REPRESENTING IN PART THE CITY OF INGLEWOOD. WILLIAM
25 OROZCO, FROM LOS ANGELES. CLARENCE ROBBINS, HERBERT TAMMONS.



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1 DR. LUDLOW QUERY. TERRY WILBURN REPRESENTING TERRY FOUNDATION
2 AND HEALTH BUSINESS. DEBORAH TYLER. RICHARD ALSOP. EVELYN
3 AYALA. MARGARET ARAUJO FROM THE LYNWOOD SENIOR CENTER. SHE WAS
4 ONE OF THOSE THAT DIDN'T GO TO "THE PRICE IS RIGHT." [
5 LAUGHTER]

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7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** HILTON BROWN, DANIEL CLAIBORNE, INGRID
8 DELANEY, IRENE GARCIA, MONICA GODFREY, ANA HERNANDEZ, LEVI
9 KINGSTON, HOOVER GENERATIONAL CARE CENTER, OBED MEJIVAR,
10 DEBORAH MORRISON, RALPH NELSON, NORRIS BYRD, CHARsLEEN POE,
11 VIVIAN PRESTON, STEVE SHEPARD, EMMETT SIMMONS, WANDA SOLOMON,
12 RICHARD VELOZ, VITELIO AGUILAR FROM 1736 FAMILY CRISIS CENTER,
13 AND FINALLY, MELVIN PHILLIPS, WHO ALL REGISTER THEIR FAVOR IN
14 SUPPORT OF THIS EFFORT. SO THOSE WHOSE NAME I CALLED, YOU CAN
15 TAKE THE OPPORTUNITY TO STAND AND BE ACKNOWLEDGED AS THE
16 CHAIRMAN SAID. YOUR MATTERS WILL BE FILED WITH THE RECORD. [
17 APPLAUSE]

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19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU. THANK YOU ALL VERY
20 MUCH FOR TWO THINGS: ONE, FOR TAKING THE TIME TO COME HERE
21 TODAY AND, TWO, FOR YOUR VERY GRATEFUL COOPERATION IN ALLOWING
22 THIS HEARING TO MOVE FORWARD IN A VERY TIMELY MANNER. BUT MOST
23 IMPORTANT MANNER, SO WE APPRECIATE YOUR CONSIDERATION. I'M
24 GOING TO ASK THE C.A.O. TO SORT OF SUMMARIZE THE ACTIONS
25 INCLUDED IN ITEM NUMBER 14 AS PART OF SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-



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1 THOMAS'S MOTION BEFORE WE TAKE A VOTE. IS THAT OKAY?
2 QUESTIONS? YEAH? YOU WANT TO DO IT AFTER HE SUMMARIZES, OR YOU
3 WANT TO GO AHEAD AND DO IT NOW?

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5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SUMMARIZE IT AT THE END, I THINK.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. GO AHEAD.

8

9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WE'RE ABOUT TO MOVE TOWARD THE CRITICAL
10 PART OF THE MEETING. IF YOU COULD STAY TUNED, IT WOULD BE
11 HELPFUL.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. I'LL BE BRIEF, BUT
14 I JUST HAVE A COUPLE OF COMMENTS I WANT TO MAKE. FIRST OF ALL,
15 THIS HAS COME A LONG WAY SINCE MAY OF LAST YEAR WHEN THIS IDEA
16 FIRST SURFACED, AND IT SURFACED BECAUSE THE PARTNERSHIP MAKES
17 SENSE BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND THE UNIVERSITY OF
18 CALIFORNIA, AND I WANT TO SEND A MESSAGE TO THE UNIVERSITY OF
19 CALIFORNIA, MY ALMA MATER, U.C.L.A. AND THE U.C. SYSTEM. I'M
20 OFTEN ASKED, AND I THINK SEVERAL OF US ARE OFTEN ASKED
21 WHENEVER THERE'S A CHANGE IN LEADERSHIP AT ONE OF OUR LOCAL
22 UNIVERSITIES, PRIVATE OR PUBLIC, WHAT CAN WE DO TO BETTER
23 ENGAGE IN THE COMMUNITIES TO GET OUT OF THE IVORY TOWER, GET
24 OFF THE CAMPUS AND ENGAGE THE COMMUNITIES IN A MEANINGFUL WAY.
25 AND I SAID TO SEVERAL OF THE OFFICIALS OF THE U.C. AND



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1 U.C.L.A. OVER THE LAST YEAR AND A HALF THAT THE ONE WAY YOU
2 COULD ENGAGE THAT IS MEANINGFUL IS TO ENTER INTO A PARTNERSHIP
3 WITH THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES TO REOPEN MARTIN LUTHER KING
4 HOSPITAL AND PROVIDE THE MEDICAL SERVICES THAT COME WITH THE
5 UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA SYSTEM. I THINK THAT WHAT'S BEEN
6 NEGOTIATED THUS FAR, OR WHAT'S BEEN DISCUSSED THUS FAR, THE
7 FRAMEWORK THAT'S BEEN ESTABLISHED IN THIS ACTION THAT WE'RE
8 GOING TO TAKE WITH RESPECT TO THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA IS
9 A PRETTY GOOD DEAL FOR BOTH US AND THE UNIVERSITY OF
10 CALIFORNIA. MORE IMPORTANTLY, IT'S A GOOD DEAL FOR THE PEOPLE
11 WE SERVE. THE POTENTIAL CLIENTS, THE PERSPECTIVE CLIENTS OF
12 THE REOPENED HOSPITAL. I BELIEVE, BASED ON WHAT I'VE SEEN IN
13 THE EVOLUTION OF THE DISCUSSIONS THAT HAVE TAKEN PLACE OVER
14 THE LAST YEAR, THAT THE UNIVERSITY IS PROTECTED, THAT WE ARE
15 PROTECTED. I BELIEVE THAT THE STAFFS OF BOTH THE UNIVERSITY
16 AND THE COUNTY BELIEVE THAT THAT'S THE CASE. I BELIEVE THAT
17 THE FINANCIAL EXPERTS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA AND AT
18 THE COUNTY WHO HAVE RUN THESE NUMBERS TIME AND TIME AGAIN
19 BELIEVE THAT THAT'S THE CASE. AND FRANKLY THERE IS NO REASON,
20 OR TO PUT IT MORE BLUNTLY, NO EXCUSE FOR THIS DEAL NOT TO COME
21 TO PASS. THERE IS NO REASON -- [APPLAUSE]

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IF WE WALK AWAY FROM THIS DEAL, WHICH WE
24 WOULDN'T, THE UNIVERSITY IS PROTECTED, BECAUSE WE'D BREACH OUR
25 CONTRACT. IF THEY WALKED AWAY, WE WOULD BE PROTECTED BECAUSE



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1 THEY WOULD BE IN DEFAULT OF THEIR CONTRACT, BUT NOBODY REALLY
2 HAS ANY FOCUS -- NOBODY SHOULD BE FOCUSED ON EITHER THE COUNTY
3 OR THE UNIVERSITY WALKING AWAY. WHAT WE NEED TO BE FOCUSED ON
4 IS THAT WE ALL BOTH WALK THROUGH THE DOOR THAT IS NOW OPEN AND
5 AVAILABLE TO BOTH IN ORDER TO PROVIDE THE REOPENING OF
6 HOSPITAL SERVICES, THE REPROVIDING OF HOSPITAL SERVICES IN THE
7 SOUTH LOS ANGELES COUNTY AREA. THE LAST THING I WANT TO SAY,
8 AND IT REALLY IS THE MESSAGE TO THE U.C. FOLKS. AS AN ALUMNUS
9 OF THE SYSTEM, I WOULD BE REALLY, REALLY DISAPPOINTED IF,
10 AFTER ALL THE WORK THAT'S BEEN DONE AND ALL THE ASSURANCES,
11 LEGAL ASSURANCES THAT HAVE BEEN DEVELOPED AND FINANCIAL
12 ASSURANCES THAT THEY DIDN'T STEP UP TO THE PLATE. THE RISK IS
13 MINIMAL, THE RISK IS MUCH GREATER FOR US. THE RISK IS MINIMAL
14 TO BOTH US AND TO THEM. THE UPSIDE POTENTIAL, THE UPSIDE
15 OPPORTUNITY IS TREMENDOUS. THE RISK-REWARD OR THE REWARD-RISK
16 RATIO FAVORS THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA AND LOS ANGELES
17 COUNTY ENTERING INTO THIS DEAL. SO I KNOW THEIR SKITTISHNESS
18 AT THE U.C. ANYBODY IN THIS ECONOMIC ENVIRONMENT WOULD BE
19 FOOLISH NOT TO BE SKITTISH, BUT WITH THE SKITTISHNESS COMES A
20 REQUIREMENT TO VET THE NUMBERS, TO BE SATISFIED THAT THIS CAN
21 WORK OR IT CAN'T WORK. WE BELIEVE, AND I THINK AT THE STAFF
22 LEVEL, I HOPE I'M NOT OVERSTATING THE CASE, I DON'T THINK I
23 AM, THAT BOTH AT OUR STAFF LEVEL AND AT THE UNIVERSITY OF
24 CALIFORNIA CORPORATE OFFICE STAFF LEVEL, WE BELIEVE
25 COLLECTIVELY THAT THIS DEAL CAN WORK. NOW IT'S UP TO THE



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1 POLITICAL LEADERSHIP OF BOTH THE COUNTY AND THE UNIVERSITY OF
2 CALIFORNIA THROUGH THEIR BOARD OF REGENTS TO WALK THROUGH THE
3 DOOR THAT'S BEEN OPENED FOR THEM. I EXPECT THAT THEY WILL DO
4 WHAT THEY PROFESS THEY ALWAYS WANT TO DO, AND THAT THEY WILL
5 NOT BALK AT THIS CRITICAL TIME. WE NEED THEM, WE NEED THE
6 UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA. THIS DEAL WORKS BEST WITH THE
7 UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA FOR A VARIETY OF REASONS. BUT THE
8 TIME IS NOW, AND I HOPE THAT IN THE NEXT MONTH, WHENEVER THIS
9 IS -- NOT FEBRUARY, BUT SEPTEMBER, THAT THIS WILL BE ON THEIR
10 AGENDA IN SEPTEMBER AND THAT THEY WILL COME TO THE SAME
11 CONCLUSION THAT THEIR OWN STAFF HAS COME TO, THAT OUR STAFF
12 HAS COME TO, AND THAT I BELIEVE THIS BOARD WILL COME TO IN
13 JUST A FEW MINUTES: THAT WE SHOULD PROCEED DOWN THIS ROAD TO A
14 PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND U.C. THIS IS
15 NOT UNUSUAL, WE HAVE A PARTNERSHIP WITH THEM AT HARBOR-
16 U.C.L.A. GENERAL HOSPITAL. WE HAVE A PARTNERSHIP WITH U.C.L.A.
17 AT OLIVE VIEW. AND WE HAVE A PARTNERSHIP WITH U.S.C. AT COUNTY
18 U.S.C. HOSPITAL, OF COURSE, AND THESE ARE NOT UNUSUAL THINGS.
19 WE'VE DONE THIS BEFORE, AND IF NOT NOW, WHEN? THANK YOU, MR.
20 CHAIRMAN.

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22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. ANY OTHER COMMENTS OR
23 QUESTIONS? [APPLAUSE]

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25 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE'VE PROVIDED TO THIS BOARD, WE'VE
3 DISCUSSIONS ONLY WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA --

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5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SPEAK INTO THE MIKE.

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7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** TODAY WE'VE BEEN DISCUSSING, RELATIVE TO THE
8 UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA ABOUT THE PARTNERSHIP ON THE
9 RESTRUCTURING OF THE HOSPITAL. IF THE U.C. REGENTS DON'T
10 APPROVE THE ARRANGEMENT AT THEIR SEPTEMBER MEETING, WHAT IS
11 OUR BACKUP PLAN?

12

13 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** IS THAT A QUESTION OF MYSELF? WE'VE PUT
14 TOGETHER A PLAN, I THINK, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY LAID IT OUT
15 EXTREMELY WELL. IT'S BEEN PUT TOGETHER NOT IN A VACUUM. IT WAS
16 PUT TOGETHER THROUGH WEEKLY DISCUSSIONS, MANY FACE-TO-FACE
17 MEETINGS OVER ALMOST THE PAST YEAR. WE FEEL THIS IS A DEAL
18 THAT PROTECTS NOT ONLY OUR INTERESTS BUT ALSO PROTECTS THE
19 U.C.'S INTEREST. AT THIS POINT IN TIME, I WOULD LIKE TO FOCUS
20 ON GETTING THE APPROVAL WITH THE U.C. IF WE TODAY WERE TO SIT
21 AND TALK ABOUT ANOTHER OPTION, THEN MAYBE THAT TAKES SOME OF
22 THE ONUS, SOME OF THE RESPONSIBILITY AND WITH THAT, THE BURDEN
23 AWAY FROM THE ENTITY THAT WE'RE TRYING TO HAVE A PARTNERSHIP
24 WITH FIRST. BUT I WILL COMMIT TO YOU THAT SHOULD IT NOT
25 HAPPEN, BUT I THINK WE NEED TO MUSTER EVERYTHING WE CAN FROM



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1 EVERY SEGMENT OF OUR COLLECTIVE, I'LL SAY RELATIONSHIPS, TO
2 GET THIS DEAL APPROVED WITH THE U.C. BUT I COMMIT THAT SHOULD
3 IT NOT HAPPEN, AND I'M HOPING IT DOESN'T COME TO THAT, WE WILL
4 COME BACK TO YOU WITH A PLAN. BUT THE FOCUS TODAY SHOULD BE ON
5 MOVING THIS FORWARD AND THEN WORKING WITH THE U.C. AND WITH
6 THAT THE U.C. BOARD OF REGENTS TO GET THIS APPROVED.

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8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT SHOULDN'T WE ALSO BE LETTING THE
9 UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA KNOW THAT THEY PROVIDE A
10 VIABLE MEDICAL SCHOOL AND TRAINING TO OUR U.C., OR THE L.A.
11 COUNTY MEDICAL CENTER SO WE DON'T LOSE TIME IF THE UNIVERSITY
12 -- BECAUSE WE'VE BEEN TALKING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA
13 FOR AN EXTENSIVE PERIOD OF TIME.

14

15 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** YES.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THEY HAVE NOT ALWAYS FOLLOWED THEIR
18 TIMELINE AND PUTTING US AT A DISADVANTAGE, AND I KNOW THAT
19 TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE. I WOULD HATE TO SEE THE UNIVERSITY OF
20 CALIFORNIA, THE STATE BEING IN SUCH A DYSFUNCTIONAL STATE OF
21 AFFAIRS, TURN A BLIND EYE TO THIS OPPORTUNITY.

22

23 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I UNDERSTAND, AND THAT MAY BE A VIABLE OPTION.
24 A DEAL OF THIS TYPE -- SOMEONE RECENTLY TOLD ME WHO WORKED ON
25 A NUMBER OF VERY COMPLEX DEALS LIKE OUR 1115 WAIVER AND SOME



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1 OTHER HIGHLY COMPLEX FINANCIAL MATTERS IN THE HEALTHCARE
2 INDUSTRY THAT A DEAL OF THIS TYPE, TO STRIKE AN AGREEMENT WITH
3 ANOTHER ENTITY LIKE THE U.C. AND TO REESTABLISH A HOSPITAL WAS
4 PROBABLY THE MOST DIFFICULT THING THIS INDIVIDUAL HAS EVER
5 WORKED ON. HE'S WORKED ON SOME OF THE MOST COMPLEX MATTERS
6 WE'VE EVER DEALT WITH. ALTHOUGH IT'S TAKEN US A YEAR TO PUT
7 THIS AGREEMENT TOGETHER, THE STRUCTURE WE HAVE HAS TAKEN THE
8 EFFORTS OF NOT JUST INDIVIDUALS SITTING AT THIS TABLE, BUT
9 YOUR COUNTY COUNSEL, STAFF AND HEALTH SERVICES WHO ARE NOT
10 HERE TODAY, WE'VE HAD TO TALK TO OTHER EXPERTS IN THE FIELD.
11 THE U.C. HAS BEEN -- THE STAFF HAS BEEN EXTREMELY DILIGENT IN
12 WORKING WITH US. BUT THIS IS VERY, VERY COMPLEX. WE HAVE THE
13 MAKINGS FOR I THINK AN APPROPRIATE AGREEMENT AND A VERY STRONG
14 AGREEMENT WITH THE U.C. IF TODAY WE WERE TO SIGNAL THAT WE'RE
15 READY TO MOVE TO SOMEONE ELSE, I DON'T THINK THAT WOULD SERVE
16 US WELL. I THINK WE NEED TO FOCUS ON THIS. IF IT SHOULDN'T
17 WORK, WE WILL COME BACK TO YOU WITH ALTERNATIVES AND WE'LL
18 LOOK AT EVERY VIABLE OPTION. BECAUSE WHEN THE DAY'S OVER,
19 WE'RE GOING TO OPEN KING HOSPITAL. [APPLAUSE]

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE DON'T WANT TO GO THROUGH ANOTHER PROCESS
22 IF THEY REJECT ANOTHER TWO-YEAR DISCUSSION WITH ANOTHER
23 INSTITUTION. IT WOULD SEEM THAT THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN
24 CALIFORNIA IS A VERY VIABLE OPTION.

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1 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I UNDERSTAND.

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3 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO YOU INDICATED THAT THE FINANCIAL VIABILITY
4 IS CONTINGENT UPON SPECIFIC FUNDING BECOMING AVAILABLE VIA THE
5 STATE. WHAT IS THE TIMELINE? IS IT THE STATE ACTING IN THIS
6 CURRENT BUDGET SESSION THAT'S --

7

8 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** NO. NO, IT WOULDN'T BE THIS CURRENT BUDGET
9 SESSION.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YOU'RE LOOKING AT 2010 LEGISLATURE?

12

13 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** NO. PART OF IT IS 2010, BUT ALSO A SIGNIFICANT
14 PORTION OF THIS WILL BE EMBEDDED IN THE NEXT NEGOTIATIONS FOR
15 THE SUCCESSOR WAIVER, 1115 WAIVER. AND SO AS I MENTIONED THAT,
16 WE'VE BEEN WORKING CLOSELY WITH THE U.C., BUT IN EVERY SINGLE
17 CONVERSATION, WE'VE ALSO HAD REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE STATE,
18 STARTING WITH THE VERY TOP LEVEL IN HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES.
19 WE'VE ALSO HAD THE SUPPORT OF THE GOVERNOR HIMSELF.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO IT'S NOT LEGISLATIVE ACTION, IT'S
22 ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH?

23

24 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WELL, IT'LL BE FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE, THEN
25 SUBSEQUENTLY THERE WILL BE A LEGISLATIVE COMPONENT TO IT.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT IT DOESN'T HAVE TO TAKE PLACE THIS COMING
3 --

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5 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** NO.

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7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YOU DON'T HAVE A SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER DEADLINE
8 FOR THAT ACTION?

9

10 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** NOT AT ALL.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YOU INDICATED THAT YOU COULD COMMENCE
13 SERVICES IN LATE 2012 PROVIDED THAT YOU HAVE A PROPOSED
14 CAPITAL PROJECT SCHEDULE IN PLACE. WHEN WILL THE BOARD BE
15 PROVIDED WITH THE TIMELINES FOR ACCOMPLISHING THOSE ELEMENTS
16 OF THE PROPOSAL, SUCH AS THE HIRING OF MANAGEMENT AND STAFF TO
17 PREPARE FOR THE OPENING OF THE HOSPITAL, IDENTIFYING WHICH
18 RESIDENCY TRAINING PROGRAMS WOULD BE ESTABLISHED AT THE
19 FACILITY AND PRE-HOSPITAL OPENING ACTIVITIES FOR LICENSING AND
20 STAFF TRAINING?

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22 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE'RE AT LEAST A YEAR AWAY FROM THAT. SHORTLY
23 I'LL BE TALKING ABOUT THIS CAPITAL PLAN, AND A CRITICAL
24 ELEMENT THAT EVERYONE MUST UNDERSTAND IS ALL THOSE CAPITAL
25 PLANS THAT'S CRITICAL TO THE OPENING OF KING HOSPITAL. AND IT



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1 LAYS OUT MANY, MANY DIFFERENT STEPS. IT ALSO LAYS OUT THE
2 DOLLAR AMOUNT THAT WILL BE NEEDED TO SUPPORT THIS CAPITAL
3 PLAN. IT'S IMPORTANT FOR PEOPLE TO UNDERSTAND THAT NOTHING
4 WILL GO FORWARD IN TERMS OF AN EXPENDITURE OR AN ACTUAL
5 CONTRACTING UNTIL WE REACH AGREEMENT WITH THE U.C. ONCE, WITH
6 RESPECT TO THE FACULTY, THE STAFF, THE SPECIFIC MEDICAL
7 PROGRAMS AND WITH THAT RESIDENCY PROGRAMS, THAT WILL BE DONE
8 BY THE NEW NONPROFIT ENTITY, ONCE THEY IDENTIFY AN OPERATOR
9 AND THEN WE ALL SIT DOWN AND ESTABLISH THE FORMAL AGREEMENTS
10 BETWEEN NOT ONLY THE COUNTY AND THE NEW ENTITY, BUT THE NEW
11 ENTITY AND THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA. THAT THERE'S --
12 BEHIND THIS AGREEMENT, ALTHOUGH WE'VE PUT IN HUNDREDS OF HOURS
13 ALREADY, OR THOUSANDS OF HOURS OF WORK ONCE THIS IS DONE. AND
14 THAT WILL HAPPEN IN THE FUTURE, BUT IT WON'T HAPPEN NEXT YEAR,
15 IT WILL PROBABLY HAPPEN IN 2011 AT THE EARLIEST.

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17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** 2011, THE BEGINNING OR THE END?

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19 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WELL, WE FIRST HAVE TO FIND THE -- WE'LL START
20 THE CAPITAL PROGRAM. WE HAVE TO CONSTITUTE OR ESTABLISH THE
21 NONPROFIT ENTITY, WHO IN TURN WILL THEN, I ENVISION AN R.F.P.
22 OF SORTS BEING DEVELOPED AND THEN RELEASED TO BOTH SOLICIT,
23 IDENTIFY, AND SUBSEQUENTLY REACH AGREEMENT WITH AN OPERATOR
24 FOR THE FACILITY. THAT IN ITSELF WOULD BE A VERY COMPLICATED
25 PROCESS. SO THERE'S A LOT OF HEAVY LIFTING YET TO BE DONE.



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SUP. ANTONOVICH: I HAVE RAISED CONCERNS IN THE PAST RELATIVE TO A POTENTIAL FINANCIAL REQUEST THAT AN INDEPENDENT BODY, THE NONPROFIT COULD BE MAKING OR WOULD BE MAKING. AND THE QUESTION, WOULD OUR COUNTY CONTRACT WITH THE NONPROFIT, WILL IT HAVE PROVISIONS THAT ESTABLISH REVENUE, COST, AND COUNTY SUBSIDY BASELINES AS WELL AS THE PROCESS TO PROTECT THE COUNTY IN EVALUATING AND DETERMINING FUTURE REQUESTS FOR INCREASED RESOURCES IF THEY ARE APPROPRIATE? AND WHEN WOULD THE BOARD RECEIVE THE DRAFT PROVISIONS?

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C.E.O. FUJIOKA: THE AGREEMENT ITSELF THAT WE HAVE WITH THE U.C. SPEAKS TO THAT, SOME OF THOSE SAFEGUARDS. ONCE WE REACH AGREEMENT WITH THE U.C. AND THEN SUBSEQUENTLY ESTABLISH THE NONPROFIT ENTITY, THE FORMAL CONTRACT WITH THE ENTITY BETWEEN THE COUNTY AND THAT NONPROFIT WILL SPEAK TO YOUR ISSUES, AND WILL ABSOLUTELY INCLUDE YOUR ISSUES, AND WE WILL HAVE THOSE SAFEGUARDS IN IT.

19

SUP. ANTONOVICH: WHAT IS THE DATE OF THE SEPTEMBER MEETING FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, AND WHERE WILL THAT MEETING TAKE PLACE?

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1 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I DON'T KNOW THE LOCATION YET. THEY HAVEN'T
2 ESTABLISHED IT. BUT THEY'LL MEET OVER A THREE-DAY PERIOD
3 STARTING SEPTEMBER 15TH AND CONCLUDE ON THE 17TH.

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5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** SAN FRANCISCO, MR. FUJIOKA.

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7 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** SAN FRANCISCO? OKAY. SAN FRANCISCO.

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO WE'RE LOOKING AT BASICALLY THE THIRD WEEK
10 OF SEPTEMBER. THANK YOU.

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12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** 15TH THROUGH THE 17TH IN THE CITY OF SAN
13 FRANCISCO.

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15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ANY OTHER QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS?
16 SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

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18 **SUP. MOLINA:** UNFORTUNATELY, THIS COMMUNITY HAS BEEN MISLED AND
19 MISINFORMED IN THE PAST ABOUT M.L.K. AT DIFFERENT LEVELS, AND
20 I'M CONCERNED ABOUT THAT ASPECT OF IT. I THINK CERTAINLY ALL
21 OF US ON THE BOARD HAVE TRIED TO MAKE A COMMITMENT TO REOPEN
22 KING AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE TO FIND THOSE WAYS TO MAKE SURE
23 THAT HEALTHCARE IS ACCESSIBLE IN THAT COMMUNITY. BUT I'M
24 FRANKLY VERY NERVOUS ABOUT MAKING A COMMITMENT TO A COMMUNITY
25 THAT, AT THE END OF THE DAY, MAY NOT BE HONORED. AND I HAVE



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1 BEEN CONCERNED ABOUT IT. I THINK WE'RE TAKING ALL THE
2 APPROPRIATE STEPS AND WE'RE PUTTING EVERYTHING ON OUR END AS
3 FAR AS THE COMMITMENT. BUT UNTIL THE U.C. MAKES A DECISION TO
4 START NEGOTIATING WITH US, WE ARE OUT IN LIMBO, SO I WANT TO
5 UNDERSTAND, AS WE MOVE FORWARD, THIS IS GOING TO GO TO THE
6 U.C. FROM HERE?

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8 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** YES. YES.

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA:** WHEN?

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12 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE HAVE BEEN AT THE TABLE AT U.C. FOR THE PAST
13 YEAR, SO THEY HAVE BEEN NEGOTIATING WITH US.

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA:** WHEN WILL IT GO TO THE BOARD?

16

17 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** ONCE YOU APPROVE IT, WE WILL TRANSMIT IT TO
18 THE STAFF OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, WHO WILL THEN PLACE
19 IT ON THE AGENDA, FROM WHAT I UNDERSTAND, AT THE SEPTEMBER
20 MEETING --

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA:** IN SEPTEMBER.

23

24 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** YES. THAT'S THE GOAL.

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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** WHERE DOES THE U.C. BOARD MEET TODAY, NOW?

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3 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** EXCUSE ME?

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THEY MEET ALL OVER.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THEY'RE GOING TO BE MEETING IN SAN
8 FRANCISCO.

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA:** IN SAN FRANCISCO IN SEPTEMBER?

11

12 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** YES, MY UNDERSTANDING.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SEPTEMBER 15TH THROUGH THE 17TH.

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16 **SUP. MOLINA:** BECAUSE I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT FOR EVERYONE TO
17 UNDERSTAND THAT WHILE ON OUR END OF IT, WE'RE MAKING THE
18 COMMITMENT TO PUT EVERYTHING IN PLACE, THAT WE HAVE BEEN
19 NEGOTIATING IN GOOD FAITH, AND I DON'T WANT TO SAY THAT U.C.
20 HAS NOT. THAT'S NOT MY POINT. MY POINT IS THAT I THINK WE NEED
21 TO MAKE A DECISION AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE. THIS IS GOING TO BE
22 A LONG ROAD, AS YOU SAID. ONCE WE EVEN BEGIN THE PROCESS OF
23 AGREEING TO NEGOTIATE WITH EACH OTHER, THERE ARE SO MANY
24 DETAILS. AND I KNOW THAT TO MANY, THAT'S PROBABLY
25 INSIGNIFICANT, BUT WE'RE VERY CONCERNED ABOUT A LOT OF THE



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1 DETAILS BECAUSE AT THE END OF THE DAY, YOU WANT A HOSPITAL
2 THAT IS GOING TO BE ACCESSIBLE TO MANY OF THE PEOPLE THERE. SO
3 I'M TRUSTING THAT IT IS GOING TO BE SCHEDULED FOR SEPTEMBER
4 AND THAT WE WILL HAVE HOPEFULLY A COMPREHENSIVE POLITICAL
5 STRATEGY TO MAKE SURE THAT EACH OF THE REGENTS UNDERSTAND HOW
6 SIGNIFICANT THIS WOULD BE TO THIS COMMUNITY AND TO THIS
7 COUNTY, AND THAT SINCE THEY'VE MADE THOSE KINDS OF COMMITMENTS
8 TO OTHER COMMUNITIES, LIKE SAN DIEGO, LIKE ORANGE COUNTY AND
9 OTHERS, THAT I THINK THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR THE U.C.
10 SYSTEM TO REALLY FIND A WAY TO MAKE THAT KIND OF COMMITMENT TO
11 THIS COMMUNITY AND TO THIS COUNTY. SO I AM HOPEFUL THAT IT
12 WILL BE ON THE AGENDA, THAT IT WILL BE SCHEDULED, AND THAT
13 MANY, MANY OF THE PEOPLE HERE TODAY WILL WEIGH IN BECAUSE I
14 THINK WHAT WE ARE SAYING TO THEM AT THIS POINT IN TIME IS
15 WE'VE DONE OUR PART, WE'VE LAID EVERYTHING OUT, WE'VE PUT OUR
16 RESOURCES IN, WE'RE WILLING TO MAKE THOSE COMMITMENTS. AND I
17 KNOW THAT THE U.C. IS HAVING TO FACE TOUGH DECISIONS AS FAR AS
18 ITS FUNDING AND WHAT'S GOING ON IN THEIR CAMPUSES AND SO ON AS
19 FAR AS FRESHMAN CLASSES, AVAILABILITY OF CLASSES TO OTHER
20 STUDENTS. BUT VERY FRANKLY, I THINK THAT IF WE CAN BEGIN THE
21 PROCESS OF UNDERSTANDING CLEARLY THAT WE'RE GOING TO BE UP-
22 FRONT, MAKING A COMMITMENT COLLECTIVELY TO THIS COMMUNITY,
23 THEN NEGOTIATIONS CAN TRULY BEGIN. SO I AM HELPFUL.
24



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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. CHAIRMAN, I SENSE THAT THERE'S
2 READINESS TO MOVE FORWARD AND I'M CERTAINLY IN SUPPORT OF
3 THAT. THE MOTION HAS BEEN MADE. LET ME ACKNOWLEDGE THE
4 INTENTIONALITY OF EVERY MEMBER OF THE BOARD, THE QUESTIONS
5 THAT ARE RAISED OUGHT TO BE INTERPRETED AS QUESTIONS THAT ARE
6 PERTINENT TO THE DISPOSITION OF THE MATTER. I THINK TIME IS OF
7 THE ESSENCE. AND I THINK WE -- [APPLAUSE] [GAVEL CONTINUES]

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9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AND PRESUMING THAT THE BOARD FAVORABLY
10 AND/OR AFFIRMATIVELY DISPOSES OF THIS MATTER, THIS BOARD WILL
11 THEN BE RESOLUTE IN ITS MESSAGE TO THE UNIVERSITY OF
12 CALIFORNIA, THE BALL IS IN YOUR COURT, LET'S DO THE RIGHT
13 THING. [APPLAUSE]

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15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THE ITEM IS BEFORE US. THE MOTION --

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17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** DON, CAN I JUST MAKE ONE POINT? THERE'S KIND
18 OF A SUBTEXT HERE THAT SOMEHOW THIS IS GOING TO COST THE
19 UNIVERSITY SOMETHING. I WANT TO BE CLEAR IN MY OWN MIND, AND
20 IF I AM CLEAR, IT SHOULD BE CLEAR IN EVERYBODY'S MIND, THIS
21 DEAL DOES NOT COST THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA A NICKEL. IS
22 THAT CORRECT?

23

24 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THAT'S TRUE. IT'S ABSOLUTELY TRUE.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THEY PROVIDE THEIR PHYSICIANS. WE PAY FOR
2 THEM.

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4 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** ABSOLUTELY.

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WE PROVIDE, THROUGH OUR FUNDING SOURCES, ALL
7 THE FUNDING THAT IS NEEDED TO -- WELL, TO ERECT THE FACILITY
8 AND THEN TO OPERATE IT THROUGH THE VARIOUS FUNDING SOURCES
9 THAT ARE CONTAINED IN THE BOARD LETTER. BUT THE UNIVERSITY OF
10 CALIFORNIA DOESN'T HAVE TO COME TO THE TABLE WITH ANY CASH.
11 THEY JUST HAVE TO PROVIDE THEIR PHYSICIANS. THIS IS WHAT'S
12 BEEN WORKED OUT WITH THEM AT THE STAFF LEVEL. PROVIDE THEIR
13 PHYSICIANS, FOR WHICH WE PAY.

14

15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I THINK THAT'S A VERY IMPORTANT POINT, AND
16 LET ME JUST MAKE AN ADDITIONAL POINT -- [APPLAUSE]

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18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THAT'S WHY I'VE ASSERTED THAT WE'RE READY
19 TO GO FORWARD. THE COMMITMENT IS BEING MADE BY THE COUNTY OF
20 LOS ANGELES. AND THE ADDITIONAL POINT TO BE MADE AND
21 PUNCTUATED, THE UPSIDE FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA IS THE
22 RESIDENCY SLOTS THAT ARE IN PLAY HERE THAT HAPPEN TO BE VERY
23 IMPORTANT TO ANY INSTITUTION WITH RESPECT TO THE TRAINING OF
24 PHYSICIANS AND THE LIKE. AND SO THIS IS NOT A HAT IN HAND
25 SCENARIO EXCLUSIVELY. WE ARE ESSENTIALLY SAYING THIS IS A



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1 PARTNERSHIP OF CONSEQUENCE FOR THE BETTERMENT OF THE QUALITY
2 OF CARE IN THE WATTS WILLOWBROOK COMMUNITY THAT DRIVES PATIENT
3 CARE TO BE VERY, VERY HIGH AND REINFORCES THE SAFETY NET FOR
4 THE ENTIRETY OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. THAT'S WHAT WE ARE
5 TRYING TO DO. AND WE TRUST THAT IT'S APPRECIATED IN THE SPIRIT
6 IN WHICH IT'S INTENDED.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I WOULD TOTALLY AGREE. AS I'VE TOLD
9 PEOPLE, PROBABLY THE TOUGHEST POLITICAL DECISION I'VE EVER HAD
10 TO MAKE IN MY LIFE WAS THE LAST TIME I WAS CHAIR, WE HAD TO
11 TAKE A VOTE ON CLOSING OF THE TRAUMA UNIT AT M.L.K., AND IT
12 WAS PROBABLY THE MOST DIFFICULT POLITICAL DECISION I'VE EVER
13 MADE IN MY LIFE. HERE WE ARE TODAY PUTTING THINGS IN PLACE FOR
14 A GREAT PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND THE
15 STATE OF CALIFORNIA U.C. SYSTEM. WHILE IT IS NOT A DONE DEAL,
16 AT LEAST IT IS A MUCH BETTER POSITION TO BE IN THAN WE WERE IN
17 FIVE YEARS AGO. AND OUR COMMITMENT AS A BOARD TO THE
18 COMMUNITY. AND WE'VE ALSO SAID OVER A NUMBER OF YEARS
19 RECENTLY, WHILE THE ORIGINAL INTENT WAS TO BE A HOSPITAL FOR
20 THE COMMUNITY, THE M.L.K. IS MUCH GREATER THAN A COMMUNITY
21 HOSPITAL, IT IS AN ABSOLUTE CRITICAL PART OF OUR SAFETY NET. [
22 APPLAUSE]

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24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** AND THE IMPACT OF THE CLOSURE HAS BEEN
25 FELT THROUGH THE ENTIRE 105 CORRIDOR SOUTHEAST AREA AND ALL



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1 POINTS IN BETWEEN. SO WE ARE READY TO MOVE, WE HAVE A MOTION
2 BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, THE CHAIR HAS SECONDED. DO I HEAR
3 ANY OBJECTIONS? IF NOT, SO ORDERED. [CHEERS] [CHEERS AND
4 APPLAUSE] [CHEERS AND APPLAUSE]

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE'RE GOING TO -- AND AGAIN, WE THANK
7 YOU FOR YOUR PATIENCE, YOUR UNDERSTANDING, AND COOPERATION
8 TODAY. WE'RE GOING TO TAKE A BRIEF FIVE-MINUTE RECESS, ALLOW
9 THE FOLKS, I KNOW THERE'S SOME TRAVEL SITUATIONS OUTSIDE, SO
10 THAT YOU CAN CLEAR THE ROOM IN AN ORDERLY FASHION. AND DON'T
11 FORGET SAN FRANCISCO, SEPTEMBER 15TH THROUGH THE 17TH.

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14 [RECESS]

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17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, CAN WE GET
18 EVERYBODY BACK UP HERE. WE WILL GO BACK INTO SESSION. (OFF-
19 MIKE CONVERSATIONS)

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. WE'RE GOING TO GO BACK INTO
22 SESSION, AND ASK MY COLLEAGUES TO JOIN US. (OFF-MIKE
23 CONVERSATIONS)

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25 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. WE WILL -- SHHH. [GAVEL]



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. IF YOU COULD TAKE THE REMAINING
3 CONVERSATIONS OUT THERE, WE'LL GO AHEAD AND PROCEED WITH THE
4 BUSINESS OF THE BOARD. OKAY? OKAY.

5

6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS. THE ITEM
7 THAT I WANT TO ADDRESS NOW DEALS WITH ITEM NUMBER 3, WITH YOUR
8 PERMISSION, MR. CHAIRMAN.

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10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SURE.

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12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AS YOU KNOW, THE GOVERNOR ELIMINATED
13 ALMOST 75% OF THE BLACK INFANT HEALTH PROGRAM FUNDS
14 RETROACTIVE TO JULY 1, 2009. THE GOVERNOR'S ACTIONS
15 ESSENTIALLY MEAN THAT THE COUNTY WILL EFFECTIVELY HAVE TO CUT
16 FOUR OF ITS FIVE, THAT IS 80%, OF THE BLACK INFANT HEALTH
17 PROGRAM, JUST LEAVING ONE IN SOUTH LOS ANGELES. I'M PLEASED
18 THAT THE REPRESENTATIVES, THAT IS THE SUPERVISORS, FROM
19 THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY RECOGNIZES THE NEED FOR THIS. I MEAN,
20 PROGRAMS IN ANTELOPE VALLEY, SAN FERNANDO VALLEY, SAN GABRIEL
21 VALLEY, METRO, SOUTH L.A. AS WELL AS THE SOUTH BAY SHARE A
22 CONCERN ABOUT THIS AND WE ACKNOWLEDGE IT ACCORDINGLY.
23 OBVIOUSLY THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN COMMUNITY EXPERIENCES
24 SIGNIFICANT AND OFTEN ARGUED TO BE DISPROPORTIONATE BURDENS IN
25 TERMS OF INFANT MORTALITY IN COMPARISON TO THE BALANCE OF



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1 GROUPS. DATA WILL SUPPORT THE FACT THAT AFRICAN-AMERICAN
2 INFANTS ARE TWICE AS LIKELY TO DIE IN THE FIRST YEAR OF LIFE
3 AND THERE IS A HOST OF REASONS FOR THAT, AND WE KNOW THAT THIS
4 PROGRAM WORKS. BETWEEN 2000 AND 2004, THE PERCENTAGE OF LOW
5 BIRTH WEIGHT BABIES AMONG THOSE THAT ARE CLIENTS IN THE BLACK
6 INFANT HEALTH PROGRAM DECREASED LITERALLY BY 50%. AND SO
7 TODAY, THROUGH THE LEADERSHIP OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE FIRST
8 FIVE, THAT IS SUPERVISOR KNABE, WE MAKE THE REQUEST THAT THEY
9 HELP BY WAY OF SUPPORTING THE FUNDING OF THESE PROGRAMS, NOT
10 IN PERPETUITY, BUT FOR THE BALANCE OF THAT WHICH IS PROPOSED
11 IN THE MOTION SO THAT WE CAN CONTINUE THESE VITAL PROGRAMS.
12 AND I WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE MR. KNABE, MR. YAROSLAVSKY, AS WELL
13 AS MR. ANTONOVICH, AS THEY HAVE PROGRAMS IN THEIR RESPECTIVE
14 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS THAT WOULD BE DRASTICALLY IMPACTED.
15 AND SO THE REQUEST IS FOR THE AMOUNT SPECIFIED, SOME \$766,000
16 THROUGH THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH TO KEEP THESE VITAL
17 PROGRAMS MOVING FORWARD.

18
19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE WILL BE TAKING THIS UP DURING THE
20 FIRST FIVE MEETING IN SEPTEMBER. ALSO, WE HAVE THE AMENDED
21 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND MYSELF AS IT RELATES TO THE
22 PROGRAMS, IT'S THE SAME IDENTICAL PROGRAM, THE CITIES OF
23 PASADENA AND LONG BEACH TO BE A PART OF THAT FUNDING REQUEST.

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25 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AND I ACCEPT THAT.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** AND CLEARLY, AS YOU MENTIONED, THE MOST
3 IMPORTANT PART IS THAT WE WON'T BE ABLE TO CONTINUE TO DO THAT
4 ON AN ONGOING BASIS, AT LEAST AT THIS PARTICULAR MOMENT IN
5 TIME FOR AT LEAST THE ONE YEAR. WE DO HAVE A COUPLE OF FOLKS
6 THAT HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM. KAREN MORRIS AND
7 TERRY WILBURN.

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9 **KAREN MORRIS:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS KAREN
10 MORRIS, RESEARCH AND POLICY AT S.E.I.U. 721. S.E.I.U. 721
11 WOULD LIKE TO FORMALLY COMMEND YOU SUPERVISORS FOR THINKING
12 STRATEGICALLY AND OUTSIDE THE BOX AS YOU ASK FIRST FIVE L.A.
13 TO HELP WITH THE DEVASTATING CUTS TO OUR BLACK INFANT HEALTH
14 PROGRAM, A PROGRAM THAT SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS JUST SPOKE OF
15 THE IMPORTANT OUTCOMES TO. THIS IS AN IMPORTANT AND NECESSARY
16 DEMONSTRATION OF LEADERSHIP BY THIS BOARD, AN ACT THAT SHOWS
17 YOUR SUPPORT FOR OUR VITAL PUBLIC HEALTH INFRASTRUCTURE AND
18 PROGRAMS. THIS TYPE OF LEADERSHIP WILL BECOME INCREASINGLY
19 IMPORTANT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH. AND AS THE
20 DEPARTMENT AND C.E.O. IS FORCED TO MULL OVER DEVASTATING CUTS
21 TO CORE PUBLIC HEALTH PROGRAMS, DEVASTATING CUTS WITH TANGIBLE
22 HUMAN COSTS, PROMPTED BY THE GOVERNOR'S NEW LINE ITEM CUTS AND
23 DISAPPOINTING REALIGNMENT REVENUES. THANK YOU AGAIN. WE LOOK
24 FORWARD TO YOUR CONTINUED CREATIVE THINKING AND SUPPORT OF THE



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1 DEPARTMENT'S VITAL BUT OFTEN SILENT PUBLIC SAFETY ROLE. THANK
2 YOU.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, KAREN.

5

6 **TERRY WILBURN:** MY NAME IS TERRY WILBURN. I'M SKEPTICAL BECAUSE
7 ONLY BLACK INFANTS HEALTH PROGRAM AND WHAT THE PAST HAS
8 INVENTED INTO THE INFANTS BLACK HEALTH PROGRAM. I APPROVE
9 CERTAIN THINGS, BUT THE RESEARCH OF IT, I DON'T APPROVE
10 BECAUSE THERE HAS BEEN MANY, WHAT, POISONING FOR THE AMOUNT OF
11 SUM THAT GOES INTO THE INFANTS OR AS FOR DIABETES AND HOW IT
12 IS STRUCTURED WITHIN THE FEMALES OR THE YOUNGER GENERATION
13 FROM FIVE TO ZERO BY BIRTH. NOW, I HAVE BEEN RESEARCHING WITH
14 SEVERAL HOSPITALS AND OTHER DOCTORS IN OTHER STATES. AND I'M
15 CONSIDERED A DOCTOR. IF YOU DON'T WANT TO CONSIDER ME AT ALL.
16 BUT WHEN I VIEW THE PREGNANCY OF A WOMAN, IT WAS SAID I WOULD
17 PAY YOU 75 MILLION -- \$750 MILLION FOR THESE PEOPLE WHO ARE
18 CONSULTANTS INTO THIS PROGRAM OR APPROACHED TO THE PREGNANCY.
19 AND AS THE HOSPITAL IN THE PAST HAS INJECTED IN PEOPLE OF, IN
20 DIFFERENT HOSPITALS OF INFANTS. THEY ARE ABUSED BY THE GAYS
21 AND LESBIANS AT THAT TIME ALL THE NURSES WHO INJECTED AND WHO
22 PAID THE SUM TO INJECT DRUGS OR SOME TYPE OF POISON WITHIN
23 THAT SIR. YOU NOTICED 2005/2006, WE ALL HAD THE SAME PROBLEM,
24 BUT YOU NEED TO REALLY LOOK AT THIS AND THEN RESEARCH IT FOR
25 YOURSELF.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. THE ITEM IS BEFORE US. MOVED
3 BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, THE CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT
4 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. CHAIRMAN, THE NEXT ITEM BEFORE US IS A
7 MATTER TO BE AMENDED AS IT PERTAINS TO ITEM NUMBER 2, I
8 BELIEVE. AND I WOULD AMEND IT IN THE FOLLOWING MANNER. "THE
9 DEPARTMENT OF BEACHES AND HARBORS TO BE EXEMPTED FROM THIS
10 REQUIREMENT FOR THE TERM OF ITS CURRENTLY NEGOTIATED
11 SPONSORSHIP AGREEMENT, BUT FOR NO MORE THAN A TERM OF THREE
12 YEARS UNLESS THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IS ABLE TO PROVIDE
13 FUNDING TO COVER THE DEPARTMENT'S RESULTING SHORTFALL FROM THE
14 LOSS OF THESE SPONSORSHIPS. THERE IS AN ABUNDANCE OF DATA THAT
15 DRIVES OUR CONCERNS ABOUT THE QUALITY OF FOOD THAT'S MADE
16 AVAILABLE AND THAT WHICH IS INGESTED IN PUBLIC VENUES. WE
17 BELIEVE THAT THERE IS AN ABUNDANCE OF EVIDENCE THAT GOES TO
18 THE ISSUE OF THE OBESITY EPIDEMIC THAT IS WELL ESTABLISHED AND
19 HOW MUCH IT COSTS, LITERALLY BILLIONS OF DOLLARS, IT IS
20 ESTIMATED, RIGHT HERE IN THE COUNTY ALONE. WE ASSERT THAT
21 ALMOST FOUR OUT OF EVERY 10 CHILDREN AND ADULTS IN THE COUNTY
22 OF LOS ANGELES DRANK A SODA A DAY, HALF OF ALL KIDS IN CERTAIN
23 PARTS OF THE COUNTY PARTICULARLY INCREASE THAT CONSUMPTION
24 RATE. AND WE HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TODAY TO LEAD BY EXAMPLE." I
25 THINK THIS IS AN APPROPRIATE STEP, ARGUABLY MODEST IN MANY



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1 WAYS FOR A COUNTY THAT'S CUTTING EDGE AND DOES WHAT'S NEW AND
2 WHAT'S NEXT FOR THE BENEFIT OF ITS CONSTITUENTS. I SIMPLY
3 OFFER THE AMENDMENT IN AN ATTEMPT TO BE REASONABLE AND
4 ACCOMMODATING IN THE CONTEXT OF THE OVERALL OBJECTIVE THAT WE
5 SEEK, NAMELY HEALTHIER EATING HABITS FOR THOSE WHO ARE TAKING
6 ADVANTAGE OF THE VENDING MACHINES IN OUR COUNTY FACILITIES. I
7 WOULD SO MOVE, MR. CHAIR.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SECOND.

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11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. IT'S BEEN MOVED AND SECONDED.
12 OBVIOUSLY I HAVE AN AMENDMENT AS WELL TO THE MOTION. I JUST
13 REALLY HAVE A HARD TIME WITH THIS MOTION. THERE ARE CERTAIN
14 PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY AND, YOU KNOW, WE'RE STARTING TO ACT
15 LIKE THE LEGISLATURE WITH THINGS LIKE THIS, WHERE THE
16 LEGISLATURE WANTS JOBS AND ALL THIS KIND OF STUFF AND THEN
17 WHILE THEY CAN'T BALANCE THE BUDGET, THINK BRING IN THINGS
18 THAT PUSH JOBS AWAY FROM CALIFORNIA. WE'RE SITTING HERE, WE
19 JUST DID AN ITEM ON HEALTHY BABIES, NEEDED A MILLION BUCKS,
20 AND YET WE WANT TO TAKE ONE TO 1.5 MILLION PLUS, POSSIBLY EVEN
21 MORE OUT OF OUR OWN BUDGET. PEOPLE ARE GOING TO ACCESS THIS
22 WHETHER THEY ACCESS IT THROUGH OUR VENDING MACHINES OR NOT.
23 YOU'VE GOT THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, I FOUND OUT YESTERDAY THE
24 FIRE DEPARTMENT, VARIOUS STATIONS FUND A LOT OF THEIR DONATION
25 PROGRAMS IN THE COMMUNITY THROUGH THEIR VENDING MACHINE



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1 PROCESS. THE FACE OF VENDING MACHINES ARE CHANGING, THEY ARE
2 GETTING HEALTHIER. BUT PEOPLE STILL WANT TO MAKE CHOICES, IF
3 THEY DON'T GET IT THROUGH A VENDING MACHINE, THEY'LL BRING IT
4 ON THEIR OWN OR TAKE IT FROM SOMEPLACE ELSE. TO ME, I DON'T
5 KNOW WHERE WE DRAW THE LINE IN ALL OF THIS. I THINK YOU'D BE
6 BETTER OFF SAYING THAT AT 8:00 EVERY MORNING WE GO OUT IN THE
7 MIDDLE OF THE COURTYARD OUT HERE AND HAVE EXERCISE. WE COULD
8 DO THAT, AND I THINK IT WOULD HAVE A GREATER IMPACT ON OUR
9 EMPLOYEES THAN WHETHER THEY WANT TO DRINK A BOTTLE OF WATER OR
10 DRINK SOME ICED TEA OR DRINK A SODA, OR WHATEVER IT MAY BE. SO
11 I KNOW WE HAVE A NUMBER OF SPEAKERS THAT HAVE SIGNED UP TO
12 SPEAK TO IT. I WOULD ASK FOR A "NO" VOTE ON THE ORIGINAL
13 MOTION AND WOULD INCLUDE MY AMENDMENT ASKING FOR AN AYE VOTE.

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15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN?

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17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YES.

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19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** FIRST OF ALL, I DIDN'T HEAR YOU GET A SECOND
20 FOR THE EXERCISE PROGRAM.

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22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WOULD YOU SECOND IT?

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24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I WOULD, BUT --

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I'LL GO GET MY PEDOMETER RIGHT NOW.

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3 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YEAH, I WANT TO SEE YOUR PEDOMETER. WHERE IS
4 IT?

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IT'S IN A VENDING MACHINE.

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8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IN THE PARKING LOT.

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10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YOU'RE GOING TO SEE IT IN JUST A FEW
11 MOMENTS. WAIT A SECOND.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN, JUST TO GET EVERYTHING OUT ON
14 THE TABLE BEFORE YOU START THE PUBLIC HEARING. I SUPPORT YOUR
15 AMENDMENT, MR. CHAIRMAN. AND I'D LIKE TO PROPOSE, MR. RIDLEY-
16 THOMAS, IF YOU'RE AROUND THERE, I WANT TO SUGGEST, BECAUSE I
17 CAN'T SUPPORT IT AS WRITTEN. WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO SUGGEST IS
18 THAT THE FIRST PART OF IT STAY INTACT, THAT BEACHES AND
19 HARBORS BE EXEMPTED FROM THE REQUIREMENT FOR THE TERM
20 CURRENTLY NEGOTIATED BY THE AGREEMENT BUT FOR NO LONGER THAN A
21 TERM OF THREE YEARS, AND IN THE MEANTIME, THIS IS WHERE I
22 WOULD STRIKE THE REST OF IT AND SAY THAT "IN THE MEANTIME THE
23 DEPARTMENT OF BEACHES AND HARBORS WORK TOWARDS DEVELOPING A
24 FINANCIALLY VIABLE PLAN WITH THE VENDING MACHINE COMPANIES TO
25 DEVELOP A CONTRACT THAT ACHIEVES THE 100% SO THAT IF THEY CAN



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1 DO THAT IN A YEAR OR 18 MONTHS, GREAT. IF THEY CAN'T DO IT IN
2 THREE YEARS, THEN WE OUGHT TO REVISIT THE ISSUE, BUT IF YOU'RE
3 OKAY WITH THAT, THEN I WOULD MAKE THAT --

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5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I WOULD. THAT'S FINE.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** HE DIDN'T ADDRESS THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT,
8 DID HE?

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** (OFF-MIKE).

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12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IT IS BY YOUR MOTION, IS IT NOT?

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14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** (OFF-MIKE). IT IS BY MY MOTION.

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16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I UNDERSTAND.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. I THINK WE UNDERSTAND.

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20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I'M GOOD WITH THE AMENDING LANGUAGE OF MR.
21 YAROSLAVSKY'S MOTION.

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23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** DID YOU GET IT?

24



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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I'M GOING TO CALL SOME FOLKS UP, BUT I
2 THINK WHAT'S REALLY IMPORTANT, YOU KNOW, THIS IS GREAT, YOU
3 KNOW, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS AND MIKE, YOU KNOW, YOU'VE GOT
4 THIS 30,000-FOOT MOTION HERE AND EVERYBODY WANTS TO BE HEALTHY
5 AND WE ALL SUPPORT THAT AND IT'S WHY WE DRINK WATER AND DO ALL
6 KINDS OF -- BUT I REALLY THINK YOU NEED TO TAKE AN INVENTORY,
7 A TOTAL INVENTORY. BECAUSE AS THIS HAS COME ABOUT, WE FOUND
8 OUT OTHER AREAS IT'S GOING TO HAVE A FINANCIAL IMPACT, AND I
9 THINK WE NEED TO KNOW THE FINANCIAL IMPACT OF THIS PARTICULAR
10 MOTION, SO LARK GALLOWAY-GILLIAM. LARK, YOU STILL HERE?
11 GWENDOLYN FLYNN, TANYA AND CLAUDIA PILA. I SAID THAT
12 CORRECTLY? FIRST FOUR SPEAKERS.

13

14 **LARK GALLOWAY-GILLIAM:** JUST GWENDOLYN AND MYSELF TODAY.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OH, OKAY.

17

18 **LARK GALLOWAY-GILLIAM:** GOOD AFTERNOON. AGAIN, I'M LARK
19 GALLOWAY-GILLIAM WITH THE COMMUNITY HEALTH COUNCIL. I THINK
20 THAT THIS IS AN OUTSTANDING RECOMMENDATION. SUPERVISOR KNABE,
21 I UNDERSTAND YOUR QUANDARY ABOUT THIS. THIS IS A DEBATE THAT
22 IS HAPPENING IN PUBLIC HEALTH AS WE SPEAK. BUT WHAT WE HAVE TO
23 UNDERSTAND, THAT THIS IS REALLY NO DIFFERENT THAN TOBACCO. AND
24 THIS COUNTY AND THIS BOARD HAS TAKEN A VERY STRONG STAND
25 AROUND TOBACCO USE. WE HAVE A PROLIFERATION OF ADVERTISEMENT



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1 AND PROMOTION OF THESE PRODUCTS ACROSS THE BOARD. IN
2 COMMUNITIES LIKE SOUTH LOS ANGELES, THE CITY COUNCIL HAS GONE
3 SO FAR AS TO PUT IN PLACE AN INTERIM CONTROL ORDINANCE TRYING
4 TO CONTROL THE NUMBER OF FAST-FOOD RESTAURANTS. THIS IS A
5 MOVEMENT THAT IS HAPPENING ACROSS THE COUNTRY BECAUSE WE
6 RECOGNIZE THAT TO SIMPLY SAY THAT IT'S PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY
7 IS NOT ENOUGH. WHEN YOU HAVE THIS LEVEL OF INTENSITY OF
8 MARKETING, WHEN YOU HAVE THIS LEVEL OF EXPOSURE, YOU ARE
9 CREATING AN EPIDEMIC. AND IF YOU REALLY WANT TO UNDERSTAND THE
10 COST, IT IS NOT THE REVENUE THAT THIS COUNTY MIGHT OR MAY NOT
11 BE LOSING. I THINK THAT THE SCHOOL DISTRICT HAS FOUND THAT, IN
12 FACT, THE REVENUE HAS NOT DECREASED. IT HAS COME BACK UP TO
13 ITS PREVIOUS LEVEL. BUT THE COSTS THAT WE JUST TALKED ABOUT OF
14 MEDICAL CARE, THE COST TO YOUR EMPLOYEES AND THE COST TO YOUR
15 BOTTOM LINE WHEN IT COMES TO PAYING FOR HEALTHCARE EXPENSES IS
16 DIRECTLY ASSOCIATED WITH THE CONSUMPTION OF THESE BEVERAGES.
17 IT IS VERY HARD TO RESIST THIS KIND OF MARKETING AND
18 PROLIFERATION. AND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THIS L.A.
19 COUNTY FOR WHICH YOU HAVE THE PUBLIC HEALTH MANDATE AS PART OF
20 YOUR RESPONSIBILITY, MAKES THIS PUBLIC STATEMENT, IT'S NOT
21 ABOUT RESTRICTING ACCESS. IT'S ABOUT CREATING A MESSAGE TO THE
22 PUBLIC ABOUT HEALTH CHOICES. IT IS CONSISTENT WITH YOUR PUBLIC
23 HEALTH DEPARTMENT'S MISSION AND PURPOSE. AND I ENCOURAGE YOU
24 TO ACCEPT THE MOTION AND THE AMENDMENT. IT IS THE RIGHT THING
25 TO DO, AND YOU WILL FIND THAT THE LITTLE MONEY THAT YOU ARE



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1 AFRAID YOU'RE GOING TO BE LOSING, I THINK YOU'LL SEE THAT THAT
2 COMES BACK AND THAT YOUR HEALTHCARE COSTS WILL BE SAVED AS
3 WELL AS PEOPLE'S LIVES. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU. WE JUST DISAGREE.
6 YES.

7

8 **CLAUDIA PILA:** [SPEAKING SPANISH].

9

10 **INTERPRETER:** I'M GOING TO BE TRANSLATING. I'D LIKE TO
11 INTRODUCE, THIS IS CLAUDIA PILA, SHE IS A RESIDENT THAT COMES
12 TO US FROM CITY OF BALDWIN PARK AND WHO IS A MEMBER OF THE
13 BALDWIN PARK RESIDENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE, PART OF THE HEALTHY
14 EATING ACTIVE COMMUNITIES INITIATIVE IN BALDWIN PARK WHICH IS
15 A FOUR-YEAR INITIATIVE THAT'S AIMING TO IMPROVE PHYSICAL
16 ACTIVITY AND HEALTHY EATING IN THE CITY OF BALDWIN PARK. AND
17 CLAUDIA MENTIONED THAT SHE IS IN SUPPORT OF THIS MOTION
18 BECAUSE SHE AS A RESIDENT HAS BEEN INVOLVED OVER THE PAST FOUR
19 YEARS IN WORKING WITH THE CITY OF BALDWIN PARK TO IMPLEMENT
20 VENDING MOTIONS SIMILAR THAT ALSO REQUIRES HEALTHY VENDING
21 WITHIN CITY-RUN FACILITIES. AND AS A PARENT, SHE IS IN SUPPORT
22 OF THIS TYPE OF LEGISLATION BECAUSE IT HELPS TO PROTECT
23 STUDENTS WHO GO TO SCHOOL LOCALLY AND THEN HAVE ACCESS TO
24 VENDING MACHINES THAT HAVE UNHEALTHIER FOODS THAN THE VENDING



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1 OPTIONS THAT ARE IN HER SCHOOL, SO SHE IS IN SUPPORT OF THAT
2 AND IS PLEASED TO SEE THIS MOTION BEFORE YOU TODAY.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** BEFORE YOU START SPEAKING, ROSA SOTO AND
5 DAVID GUTHMAN AND ANTOINETTE YANCEY. WOULD THEY JOIN US
6 PLEASE? YES, MA'AM.

7

8 **TANYA PILA:** HI, I'M TANYA PILA, I'M ALSO A RESIDENT FROM
9 BALDWIN PARK. I JUST WANTED TO SAY THAT AS A TEEN, I HAVE SEEN
10 THAT WHEN OPTIONS IN VENDING MACHINES ARE INCREASED TO
11 HEALTHIER OPTIONS, STUDENTS WILL ULTIMATELY GO FOR THAT
12 CHOICE. HAVING HEALTHIER OPTIONS IN CITY FACILITIES HELPS
13 MAINTAIN THE MESSAGE WE RECEIVE IN SCHOOLS. OUR COMMUNITY
14 SHOULD OFFER THE SAME HEALTHY OPTIONS AS OUR SCHOOLS. THANK
15 YOU.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YES SIR. GO AHEAD.

18

19 **DAVID GUTHMAN:** I'M DAVID GUTHMAN. I'M HERE TODAY IN MY
20 CAPACITY BOTH AS A CONCERNED CITIZEN AND AS A MEMBER OF THE
21 BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE TO HELP EVERYONE CLINIC, ONE OF THE
22 COUNTY'S P.P.P. PARTNERS. OUR CLINIC IS LOCATED IN THE
23 COUNTY'S RUTH TEMPLE FACILITY ON WESTERN AVENUE, A FACILITY
24 WITH PROMINENT VENDING MACHINES THAT OFFER A LARGE VARIETY OF
25 UNHEALTHY OPTIONS TO THOSE WHO COME INTO THE BUILDING FOR



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1 HEALTH SERVICES. MOST OF US REMEMBER WHEN CIGARETTE VENDING
2 MACHINES WERE UBIQUITOUS, PARTICULARLY AT HOSPITALS, MEDICAL
3 OFFICE BUILDINGS AND HEALTH CLINICS. THAT IS NO LONGER THE
4 CASE. IT WAS ONLY A FEW YEARS AGO THAT WE REALIZED THE NEED TO
5 REPLACE UNHEALTHY FOOD CHOICES IN VENDING MACHINES IN OUR
6 PUBLIC SCHOOLS. SCHOOLS, PARTICULARLY THE L.A. UNIFIED SCHOOL
7 DISTRICT, HAVE IMPLEMENTED A CHANGE FROM UNHEALTHY TO HEALTHY
8 VENDING MACHINE CHOICES WITH NO REDUCTION IN VENDING MACHINE
9 NET REVENUES TO THE SCHOOL DISTRICT. NOW CONSIDER THE IRONY
10 WHEN THE FIRST IMPRESSION AS ONE ENTERS A COUNTY HEALTH
11 FACILITY IS THE PRESENCE OF VENDING MACHINES THAT OFFER
12 UNHEALTHY CHOICES. AT THE RUTH TEMPLE FACILITY, THE MACHINES
13 OFFER NINE CHILLED BEVERAGES. SIX ARE OVERLOADED WITH SUGAR OR
14 CAFFEINE, AND 40 FOOD ITEMS, PERHAPS TWO OF WHICH COULD BE
15 CHARACTERIZED AS HEALTHY. HEALTHY CHOICES IN VENDING MACHINES
16 IS A SUBTLE AND NEEDED STEP IN THE PROCESS OF INSTILLING
17 HEALTHY EATING HABITS. THE ISSUE IN THIS INITIATIVE IS NOT ONE
18 OF DEPRIVING L.A. COUNTY OF REVENUES FROM VENDING MACHINES;
19 RATHER, IT'S AN EFFORT TO GET L.A. COUNTY OUT OF THE BUSINESS
20 OF ENCOURAGING HARMFUL EATING HABITS. THIS HEALTHY FOODS
21 INITIATIVE IS LONG OVERDUE. I ENCOURAGE YOU TO PASS IT. THANK
22 YOU.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. HAROLD STERKER, JR. AND
25 MARLEN GARCIA, GREG HASKIN.



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2 **ROSA SOTO:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS ROSA SOTO, AND I WORK

3 FOR THE CALIFORNIA CENTER FOR PUBLIC HEALTH ADVOCACY. MR.

4 CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, I'M HERE

5 EXCITED TO TALK TO YOU ABOUT THIS MOTION AND OPPORTUNITY. YOU

6 ARE SETTING THE WAY FOR A LOT OF OTHER LEGISLATIVE BODIES, A

7 LOT OF OTHER COUNTIES, THAT CAN HELP TO ESTABLISH A NORM FOR

8 HEALTHIER EATING IN COMMUNITIES. AND THE REASON THAT THIS IS

9 REALLY IMPORTANT IS BECAUSE WE HAVE COMMUNITIES THAT DO NOT

10 HAVE PLACES WHERE HEALTHY CHOICES ARE EASY CHOICES. I ALSO

11 WANT TO COMMEND SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY FOR SUPPORTING US. MANY

12 YEARS AGO WHEN HE SUPPORTED L.A. UNIFIED IN THEIR EFFORT FOR

13 SODA BAD THE HEALTHY SNACKS MOTION THERE. THAT SET A

14 PRECEDENCE FOR HOW NOW THE COUNTRY LOOKS AT OPPORTUNITIES FOR

15 CREATING HEALTHY ENVIRONMENTS. THERE'S ALSO AN OPPORTUNITY TO

16 PARTNER WITH BUSINESS ON THIS FRONT AND BY YOU LEGISLATING

17 WHAT IT IS YOU WANT IN YOUR CONTRACTS YOU THEN OFFER THEM THE

18 OPPORTUNITY TO TRY TO NEGOTIATE THE TYPES OF PRODUCTS THAT

19 THEY OFFER. BECAUSE AT THE END OF THE DAY, THEY ARE BUSINESSES

20 AND THEY WANT TO SERVE THEIR CLIENT. AND IF THEIR CLIENT IS

21 YOU AND YOU HAVE HEALTHIER OPTIONS, THEY WILL COMPLY. THAT'S

22 THE STORY THAT WE HAVE LEARNED IN L.A. UNIFIED AND IT'S THE

23 STORY WE'VE LEARNED IN CITIES LIKE BALDWIN PARK IN THE FIRST

24 DISTRICT. SO WE'RE VERY EXCITED ABOUT THIS OPPORTUNITY THAT

25 YOU HAVE BEFORE YOU AND ENCOURAGE YOU TO VOTE FAVORABLY. THE



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1 CENTER THAT I WORK FOR JUST RELEASED A STUDY ON THE STATE OF -
2 - THE ECONOMIC COSTS OF OVERWEIGHT AND OBESITY AND PHYSICAL
3 INACTIVITY AMONG CALIFORNIA ADULTS. THIS REPORT, RELEASED IN
4 SEPTEMBER, STATED THAT OVERWEIGHT OBESITY AND PHYSICAL
5 INACTIVITY COST CALIFORNIA \$42 BILLION IN 2006. IN 2001, WHEN
6 WE WERE TALKING ABOUT THIS WITH LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL
7 DISTRICT AND THE CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE, THAT NUMBER WAS
8 AROUND 15 BILLION. SO WE ARE TALKING ABOUT AN ENORMOUS RISE IN
9 THE COST OF LOST PRODUCTIVITY FOR THIS. THE REPORT ALSO SHOWS
10 THAT, FOR EXAMPLE, IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, THAT LOST
11 PRODUCTIVITY RATE IS ESTIMATED AT \$11.8 BILLION ALONE. SO
12 GIVEN THE ECONOMIC TIMES THAT WE'RE IN, THIS IS AN ASTOUNDING
13 NUMBER THAT COULD REALLY HELP US SAVE SOME DOLLARS AND HELP
14 OUR COMMUNITIES HAVE HEALTHY CHOICES AVAILABLE.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THANK YOU.

17

18 **ROSA SOTO:** PEOPLE WILL FIND THEIR CHOICES. IT'S MORE A MATTER
19 OF CREATING OPPORTUNITIES FOR HEALTHIER EATING.

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. ASK CHRISTINA CARDENAS TO
22 JOIN US, PLEASE. YES, SIR.

23

24 **MANUEL CARILLO, JR.:** YES. HELLO. MY NAME IS MANUEL CARILLO,
25 JR., I WILL BE SPEAKING IN REPLACEMENT OF COUNCIL MEMBER



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1 MARLEN GARCIA FROM THE CITY OF BALDWIN PARK. WE WERE BOTH HERE
2 AT 9:00 A.M. THIS MORNING, BUT UNFORTUNATELY, SHE COULD NOT
3 MAKE IT TO THIS TIME. SO ONCE AGAIN, MY NAME IS MANUEL
4 CARILLO, JR., I'M THE DIRECTOR OF RECREATION AND COMMUNITY
5 SERVICES FOR THE CITY OF BALDWIN PARK. I'VE BEEN IN THE FIELD
6 FOR WELL OVER 20 YEARS AND I, TOO, HAVE ALSO SEEN A DRAMATIC
7 TREND IN CHILDHOOD OBESITY OVER THE LAST 10 YEARS. I AM ALSO
8 HERE TODAY TO URGE YOU TO APPROVE ITEM NUMBER 2 ON YOUR
9 AGENDA. BALDWIN PARK IS A YOUNG COMMUNITY, 35% OF
10 APPROXIMATELY 80,000 RESIDENTS ARE UNDER THE AGE OF 18. 10
11 YEARS AGO, THE CITY OF BALDWIN PARK TOOK A PROACTIVE APPROACH
12 TO ADDRESS THE ISSUE OF CHILDHOOD OBESITY. WE STARTED WITH A
13 SMALL GRASSROOTS GROUP PARTNERING WITH KAISER PERMANENTE AND
14 THE CALIFORNIA CENTER FOR PUBLIC HEALTH ADVOCACY TO EDUCATE
15 YOUTH STAYING ACTIVE AND EATING HEALTHY. OUR GROUP CONTINUED
16 TO GROW. AND AS A RESULT OF THIS APPROACH, WE HAVE MADE GREAT
17 STRIDES TO IMPROVING THE ENVIRONMENT WHERE OUR CHILDREN AND
18 FAMILIES LIVE, PLAY EVERY DAY. IN 2003, THE CITY OF BALDWIN
19 PARK APPROVED A POLICY TITLED HEALTHY BODIES YIELDS HEALTHY
20 MINDS TO ALIGN OURSELVES WITH CALIFORNIA NUTRITIONAL
21 STANDARDS. THIS WAS THE FIRST TYPE OF POLICY TO EVER BE
22 APPROVED BY A MUNICIPALITY AND IT GARNERED ATTENTION FOR OUR
23 MEDIUM-SIZED COMMUNITY. THIS POLICY SIGNIFICANTLY ALTERED THE
24 TYPE OF SNACKS AND BEVERAGES AVAILABLE FOR SALE IN OUR PUBLIC
25 VENDING MACHINES. INSTEAD OF SODAS, WE REPLACED IT WITH WATER



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1 AND SPORTS DRINKS. INSTEAD OF M&MS, WE REPLACED IT WITH
2 GRANOLA BARS. AND INSTEAD OF CHIPS, DORITOS, WE REPLACED IT
3 WITH BAKED DORITOS, PRETZELS, ETCETERA. WE IMPLEMENTED THIS
4 CHANGE RIGHT BEFORE THE DEADLINE OF THE SB-19, WHICH ARE THE
5 CALIFORNIA NUTRITIONAL STANDARDS. IT'S BEEN VERY BENEFICIAL
6 AND WE'VE DEFINITELY CHANGED THE ENVIRONMENT IN BALDWIN PARK.
7 THEREFORE I URGE THE COUNTY TO APPROVE NUMBER 2. THANK YOU.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YES.

10

11 **HAROLD STERKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS HAROLD STERKER,
12 SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF S.E.I.U. LOCAL 721 IN SUPPORT OF HEALTHY
13 CHOICES VENDING MACHINE MOTION BY SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-
14 THOMAS AND MICHAEL ANTONOVICH. BY PROFESSION, I AM A HEALTH
15 EDUCATOR AND A TRAINED NUTRITIONIST EMPLOYED BY THE DEPARTMENT
16 OF PUBLIC HEALTH. I'M PROUD TO SAY THAT I HAVE WORKED FOR MORE
17 THAN 36 YEARS FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. TODAY, HOWEVER, I
18 WISH TO MAKE IT CLEAR THAT I'M SPEAKING AS THE CHAIR OF LOCAL
19 721 EMPLOYEE WORK SITE WELLNESS COMMITTEE AND AS THE UNION
20 CHAIR OF THE LABOR MANAGEMENT BENEFITS ADMINISTRATION
21 COMMITTEE. LOCAL 721 REALIZED SOME YEARS AGO THAT IT WAS
22 UNREALISTIC TO NEGOTIATE EMPLOYEE HEALTH COVERAGE WITHOUT ALSO
23 ADDRESSING THE DRIVERS OF ESCALATING HEALTH INSURANCE
24 PREMIUMS. WE RECOGNIZED THAT TIMELY AND APPROPRIATE DISEASE
25 MANAGEMENT, ACCESS TO PREVENTIVE CARE AND AFFORDABLE



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1 HEALTHCARE FOR ALL ARE ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS OF A HEALTH
2 INSURANCE COST CONTAINMENT PROGRAM. THAT IS WHY S.E.I.U. IS AN
3 ACTIVE PARTNER WITH PRESIDENT OBAMA IN SUPPORT OF NATIONAL
4 HEALTHCARE REFORM, AND THAT IS WHY WE NEGOTIATED THE HEALTH
5 INSURANCE COST MITIGATION GOALS AND OBJECTIVES PROMOTING
6 EFFECTIVE EMPLOYEE WELLNESS AND DISEASE MANAGEMENT AS ONE
7 COMPONENT OF A HEALTHCARE COST MITIGATION STRATEGY. AND
8 INDEED, STRENGTHENING THE COUNTY'S EMPLOYEE WELLNESS PROGRAM
9 THROUGH A JOINT LABOR MANAGEMENT PARTNERSHIP IS ONE IMPORTANT
10 ELEMENT OF OUR BUILDING A BETTER L.A. COUNTY 2009 BARGAINING
11 PROPOSAL. LOCAL 721 SUPPORTS THE BOARD MOTION DIRECTING THE
12 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER IN COORDINATION WITH ALL APPROPRIATE
13 DEPARTMENTS TO ENSURE THAT COUNTY VENDING MACHINES OFFER 100%
14 HEALTHY FOOD AND BEVERAGE OPTIONS CONSISTENT WITH THE STATE OF
15 CALIFORNIA'S NUTRITION GUIDELINES. LOS ANGELES COUNTY, AS THE
16 LARGEST EMPLOYER IN THE REGION AND AS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT
17 ENTITY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PUBLIC'S HEALTH, AND AS A PROVIDER
18 OF HEALTH SERVICES, HAS THE DUTY TO SET A VISIONARY EXAMPLE IN
19 ENACTING WELLNESS ACTIONS, ESPECIALLY WHEN IT WILL FAVORABLY
20 IMPACT THE HEALTH STATUS OF ITS WORK FORCE AND COMMUNITY.
21 THANK YOU.

22
23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.



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1 **CHRISTINA CARDENAS:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS CHRISTINA
2 CARDENAS AND I WORK FOR THE CALIFORNIA CENTER FOR PUBLIC
3 HEALTH ADVOCACY. AND I HAVE THE PLEASURE OF BEING THE ADVOCATE
4 COORDINATOR, WORKING WITH YOUTH, TEENS, COMMUNITY MEMBERS AND
5 REALLY IN TALKING TO THEM ABOUT LOOKING AT THE ENVIRONMENT AND
6 HOW IT AFFECTS OUR HEALTH AND I'M THINKING ABOUT HOW TO MAKE
7 THE HEALTHY CHOICE THE EASY CHOICE. AND IN LOOKING AT THIS
8 MOTION AND IN LOOKING AT MY EXPERIENCE IN WORKING WITH YOUTH
9 IN BALDWIN PARK REGARDS TO THE BALDWIN PARK HEALTHY VENDING
10 MOTION. IT'S NOT ABOUT LIMITING OR REDUCING CHOICES, IT'S
11 ABOUT EXPANDING CHOICES. AND AS YOU HEARD BEFORE, YOU HAD A
12 TEEN SPEAK TODAY THAT OTHER YOUTH, WHEN GIVEN MULTIPLE
13 CHOICES, WHEN GIVEN ADDITIONAL CHOICES, WILL GO FOR THE
14 HEALTHY CHOICE. SO WORKING WITH YOUTH AND WITH RESIDENTS, IT'S
15 TRULY A COLLABORATIVE EFFORT. AND AS ONE OF THE YOUTH
16 MENTIONED, THE SCHOOL DISTRICT HAS ALREADY PASSED SB-12 AND
17 965, HAS ALREADY ESTABLISHED THESE REQUIREMENTS. THE YOUTH AND
18 THE COMMUNITY ARE ALREADY USED TO SEEING THOSE OPTIONS, AND
19 LOCAL VENDORS WILL WORK WITH YOU TO HELP TO PROVIDE THESE
20 EXPANDED CHOICES, WHICH WILL CONTINUE TO KEEP SALES AT THEIR
21 PEAK. AND SO I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO HEARING ABOUT THIS MOTION
22 AND ALSO TO SHARE WITH THE COMMUNITY OF BALDWIN PARK AND THE
23 YOUTH. BECAUSE OUR BIG EMPHASIS WITH THE YOUTH IS TO THINK
24 GLOBALLY, BUT ACT LOCALLY. AND SO THIS MOTION FOR THEM, AND
25 KNOWING THAT THEY CAN IMPACT THIS EXPANSION INTO THIS VENDING



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1 MOTION FOR THEM MEANS EVERYTHING BECAUSE THE WORK THAT THEY DO
2 AND WHAT THEY LIKE TO TEACH OTHER STUDENTS IS TO REALLY THINK,
3 TO SET A HIGHER EXPECTATION FOR YOUTH, THEY DO THAT IN THE
4 SCHOOLS. AND WE'RE CONFIDENT THAT THE CITY WILL ALSO HAVE THAT
5 TYPE OF MINDSET WHEN THINKING ABOUT HEALTHY VENDING IN THE
6 CITY. THANK YOU.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

9

10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. CHAIRMAN, THANK YOU. I WANT TO THANK
11 ALL THOSE WHO CAME TO TESTIFY, AND WITH YOUR PERMISSION,
12 PURSUANT TO FURTHER CONSIDERATION, MAY I OFFER THE FOLLOWING
13 IN AN ATTEMPT TO BUILD CONSENSUS. NAMELY THAT WE MOVE FORWARD
14 WITH WHAT I OFFERED BY WAY OF AMENDMENT, THAT IS, TO EXEMPT
15 BEACHES AND HARBORS FOR THE PERIODS SPECIFIED, WHICH TAKES
16 INTO CONSIDERATION MR. YAROSLAVSKY'S AMENDING LANGUAGE AND
17 WITH RESPECT TO THE CUSTODY FACILITIES, EXEMPT THEM IN
18 PERPETUITY FOR ALL INTENTS AND PURPOSES. THAT WOULD
19 ESSENTIALLY BE THE MOTION AND I TRUST THAT WE CAN MOVE FORWARD
20 IN LIGHT OF THAT.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SECOND.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THAT INCLUDES MY MOTION THEN AS
25 WELL? WITH YOUR CLARIFYING LANGUAGE?



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2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I THINK YOUR MOTION EFFECTIVELY CAUSES
3 BEACHES AND HARBORS, AS WELL AS THE CUSTODY FACILITIES TO BE
4 ADDRESSED. IS THAT NOT CORRECT?

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THAT'S RIGHT.

7

8 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** SO THAT'S THE IMPACT OF IT. ALL RIGHT?

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10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO WE'VE GOT THE ORIGINAL MOTION THAT'S
11 CLARIFIED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS --

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13 **SUP. MOLINA:** NO. HE'S SUBSTITUTING EVERYTHING.

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15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I AM.

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17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ALL RIGHT.

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19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AS AMENDED, AS INCLUDED IN THAT. THAT'S A
20 SUBSTITUTE. THAT'S CORRECT.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ALL RIGHT. ANY OBJECTIONS? SO
23 ORDERED.

24

25 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE]



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, ANYTHING ELSE
3 YOU'D LIKE TO CALL UP?

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5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I THINK THAT'S THE EXTENT OF WHAT YOU'VE
6 PERMITTED ME TODAY, SIR.

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8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.

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10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** HAVE YOU DONE THE --

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12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE'VE GOT 22. I HELD 22.

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14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** HOW ABOUT 11? WERE YOU HOLDING THAT FOR A
15 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC, ITEM 11?

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17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** AND WE'VE ALSO GOT THE BEACHES AND
18 HARBORS ITEM.

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20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. WHAT NUMBER IS THAT? 22?

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22 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM 54, WHICH IS THE PUBLIC HEARING.

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** DO YOU WANT TO DO THAT?

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH.

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3 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** 54.

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5 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NUMBER 54, IF I COULD READ THE
6 SHORT TITLE IN FOR THE RECORD. THIS IS THE HEARING ON THE
7 SCHEDULED NEW AND INCREASE IN FEES CHARGED BY THE DEPARTMENT
8 OF BEACHES AND HARBORS FOR FACILITIES AND SERVICES PROVIDED AT
9 MARINA DEL REY AND COUNTY OWNED AND/OR OPERATED BEACHES,
10 EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 1ST, 2009, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THOSE
11 PARKING FEES TO BECOME EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1ST, 2009, UPON
12 COASTAL COMMISSION APPROVAL. THERE IS NO DEPARTMENT STATEMENT
13 ON THIS MATTER AND NO WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED.
14 THERE ARE NO SPEAKERS SIGNED UP -- OH, THERE IS ONE SPEAKER,
15 SO IF I COULD SWEAR HIM IN, PLEASE.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MR. SACHS, IF YOU'D STAND UP TO BE SWORN
18 IN, PLEASE. [ADMINISTERING OATH]

19

20 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THANK YOU.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. BEFORE I CALL YOU FORWARD, I'M
23 GOING TO PUT AN AMENDMENT OUT THERE. FIRST OF ALL, AND WE'LL
24 PASS IT OUT, AGENDA ITEM 54 IS A REQUEST FROM THE DEPARTMENT
25 OF BEACHES AND HARBORS FOR FEE INCREASES AND NEW FEES. IT WILL



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1 RAISE AN ADDITIONAL MILLION DOLLARS IN BEACH REVENUE AND
2 ADDITIONAL \$325,000 IN MARINA REVENUE. UNFORTUNATELY, THESE
3 ADDITIONAL REVENUES ARE SCHEDULED TO GO TO THE GENERAL FUND
4 RATHER THAN BACK TO THE DEPARTMENT TO BENEFIT THE PUBLIC WHO
5 WILL BE PAYING THESE FEES. SO I BELIEVE THAT THESE ADDITIONAL
6 FEES RAISED BY THE BEACH-GOING PUBLIC SHOULD BENEFIT THE
7 BEACH-GOING PUBLIC, AND THEREFORE THE FUNDS SHOULD BE DIRECTED
8 TO THE DEPARTMENT OF BEACHES AND HARBORS. SO WE HAVE EXCESS OF
9 23 MILLION VISITORS THERE EACH AND EVERY YEAR. AS A RESULT, WE
10 HAVE INCREASED BEACH AND MAINTENANCE SERVICE, NOT TO MENTION
11 OUR CLEANLINESS OF OUR PUBLIC FACILITIES. OBVIOUSLY IN THIS
12 REGARD, I'VE BEGUN TO RECEIVE AN INCREASING NUMBER OF
13 COMPLAINTS FROM THE PUBLIC, OUR MARINA PARTNERS, AND EVEN
14 ELECTED OFFICIALS, OTHER ELECTED OFFICIALS, ABOUT OUR
15 INABILITY TO KEEP UP OUR BEACH MAINTENANCE AND TO MAINTAIN AND
16 REFRESH OUR PUBLIC AREAS. SO THIS IS PARTICULARLY THE CASE
17 WHEN WE RECOGNIZE THAT INVITING VENUES ARE POPULAR WITH THE
18 DEMOGRAPHICS OF OUR ENTIRE COUNTY, PARTICULARLY DURING
19 DIFFICULT ECONOMIC TIMES, AND THIS IS FREE ACCESS TO THE
20 PUBLIC. SO I WOULD MOVE THAT THE BOARD DIRECT ANY REVENUE
21 SECURED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF BEACHES AND HARBORS DUE TO THE
22 FEE INCREASES AND NEW FEES IDENTIFIED IN AGENDA ITEM 54 STAY
23 WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT RATHER THAN BE SIPHONED OFF TO THE
24 GENERAL FUND. SO IS THERE A SECOND TO THAT MOTION?

25



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SECOND.

2

3 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. MR. SACHS?

4

5 **ARNOLD SACHS:** GOOD AFTERNOON. THANK YOU. WHILE YOU'RE KEEPING
6 THESE FEES IN THE DEPARTMENT, WOULD IT ALSO BE OUTSIDE THE
7 REALM OF POSSIBILITY TO ASK THAT THEY GO FOR INFRASTRUCTURE
8 AND NOT BE USED FOR SALARIES, AS SO OFTEN IS THE CASE,
9 ESPECIALLY FROM THE CITY OF L.A.'S PERSPECTIVE. THEY GET FEES,
10 THEY ASK FOR FEE RAISES, THEY GET THE FEE RAISES AND IT TURNS
11 OUT THAT A GOOD PORTION OF THOSE FEES THAT ARE RAISED ARE USED
12 TO PAY FOR SALARIES. SO IN ASKING THAT YOU KEEP THE FEES
13 WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT, WOULD IT BE, AGAIN, WITHIN THE REALM OF
14 POSSIBILITY TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY'RE SPENT ON INFRASTRUCTURE
15 REPAIRS AND NOT WITH SALARIES? I WAS GOING TO GO INTO
16 SOMETHING ELSE, BUT I'LL JUST STICK TO THAT.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THANK YOU. MOVED, SECONDED. ANY
19 OBJECTION? SO ORDERED. ANYTHING ELSE, ZEV?

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** DO YOU WANT TO GO ON 24, 38 AND 43? MR.
22 SACHS, WHY DON'T YOU COME BACK? I THINK HE WAS HOLDING 24, 38
23 AND 43.

24

25 **ARNOLD SACHS:** WHICH ITEM WOULD YOU LIKE TO DISCUSS?



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** 24, 38, AND 43.

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4 **ARNOLD SACHS:** 24. JUST QUICKLY, SINCE IT MENTIONS SOMETHING
5 REGARDING THE COUNTY -- I'M SORRY. THE COUNTY ANIMAL CONTROL,
6 WHAT THE STAND FOR THE COUNTY IS ON THE STATE LEGISLATION,
7 SENATE BILL 250, AND AB-241? THERE ARE SEVERAL ARTICLES
8 WRITTEN -- OR THERE ARE SEVERAL EDITORIALS WRITTEN, ONE IN I
9 BELIEVE THE LONG BEACH NEWSPAPER AND ANOTHER ONE I BELIEVE IN
10 THE "ORANGE COUNTY REGISTER," BOTH AGAINST -- AND ACTUALLY,
11 ONE IN THE L.A. TIMES, ALL THREE AGAINST BOTH THE SENATE BILL
12 AND THE A.B. BILL, WHICH WOULD CALL FOR SPAYING AND NEUTERING.
13 SO I WAS WONDERING IF YOU WOULD GET TOGETHER WITH A LETTER, A
14 FIVE-SIGNATURE LETTER FROM THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO
15 SEND TO THE STATE LEGISLATION ON WHAT YOUR STANCE IS. IT SAYS
16 IN THESE EDITORIALS THAT ALTHOUGH THEY CALL FOR SPAY AND
17 NEUTERING, IT ACTUALLY INCREASES THE AMOUNT OF MONEY SPENT BY
18 THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTS, IT INCREASES THE AMOUNT OF ANIMALS THAT
19 ARE ABANDONED, AND IT DOESN'T LOOK TO SOLVE ANY OF THE
20 PROBLEMS THAT ARE CREATED, SO JUST OUT OF CURIOSITY, AND
21 PUTTING YOU MAYBE ON THE SPOT, WHAT IS THE OPINION OF THE
22 COUNTY? AND WOULD THEY SEND A 5-SIGNATURE LETTER TO THE STATE
23 LEGISLATURE IF THEY OPPOSE THE BAN ON THESE -- OPPOSE THESE
24 TWO LEGISLATIVE BILLS? THANK YOU.

25



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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVE IT.

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3 **ARNOLD SACHS:** NEXT ONE?

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** 38.

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7 **ARNOLD SACHS:** 38 IS DEALING WITH CONTRACTS. AND I WAS A LITTLE
8 CONCERNED, JUST A MINOR LITTLE PROBLEM, THAT YOU ARE CALLING
9 FOR BIDS BUT YOU'RE GIVING THE COST ESTIMATES FOR THE CONTRACT
10 -- FOR THE PRICE OF THE PROJECTS. SO ISN'T THAT THE IDEA OF
11 CALLING FOR THE BIDS, IS TO GET THE CONTRACTORS TO BID ON THE
12 ITEM AND THEN DECIDE IF THEY'RE WITHIN THE RANGE OF THE COST
13 OF THE ITEM? AND THEN, IN ADDITION TO THAT, THERE WAS AN
14 ARTICLE IN THE L.A. TIMES, COUNTY TARGETS CONTRACTOR TAXES.
15 THIS IS FROM JULY 15TH. AND IT GOES ON TO SAY THAT YOU PASS A
16 LAW REQUIRING THOSE APPLYING TO BECOME COUNTY CONTRACTORS TO
17 CERTIFY THAT THEY DON'T OWE PROPERTY TAXES. IN THIS ARTICLE,
18 IT GOES ON TO --

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THIS REALLY DOESN'T APPLY --

21

22 **ARNOLD SACHS:** WELL, BUT IN A SENSE --

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NO. IT DOES NOT APPLY TO THIS, OKAY?

25 **ARNOLD.**



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2 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YOU'RE ASKING FOR CONTRACTS. YOU'RE ASKING FOR
3 BIDS.

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5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** A SPECIFIC PROJECT, AND YOU'RE NOT
6 ADDRESSING THAT. OKAY? IT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH BACK TAXES TO
7 ANY CONTRACTOR. OKAY?

8

9 **ARNOLD SACHS:** BUT IT HAS SOMETHING. I'M LOOKING -- OKAY.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY?

12

13 **ARNOLD SACHS:** I GUESS I'M GOING TO BE SHUT OUT ON THIS ONE.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MOVE IT.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** 38 AND 43 MOVED AND SECONDED, WITHOUT
18 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. 11, 22, 55-A AND 55-C.

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22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** 11, 22.

23

24 **ARNOLD SACHS:** I DIDN'T PUT A CARD IN ON THOSE.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT ON 11, TERRY WILBURN.

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3 **TERRY WILBURN:** WE'RE ON ITEM 11, SIR?

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5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** 11, 55-A, 55-C YOU SIGNED UP FOR.

6

7 **TERRY WILBURN:** OKAY. I'M RUNNING MY MOUTH BACK THERE. SO GIVE
8 ME A MOMENT, SIR. I HAVE A LOT OF THINGS TO SPEAK ON,
9 ESPECIALLY CONCERNING THE CALIFORNIA JUSTICE COORDINATION
10 COMMITTEE AND HOW IT IS INSTRUCTED FOR NOT ONLY FUNDING BUT
11 THE ABUSES OF WOMEN. I HAD TWO INCIDENTS THAT NEEDED TO BE
12 REHABILITATED. A MURDER CONSENT BY THESE AUTHORIZATIONS. AND
13 CONCERNING THE WOMAN'S ASPECT OF THE REHABILITATION OF THE
14 C.D.C.R., THE WOMEN'S INSTITUTION, HAVING THE -- WELL, THE
15 WOMEN'S INSTITUTION IN LANCASTER, AND THERE IS THE SHERIFF OR
16 WHO PUT, IN 2007, PUT WEAPONS BACK ON MY RANCH AND PUT DRUGS
17 BACK ON MY RANCH, SHE ALSO WAS UTILIZING THE TELEVISION
18 STATION IN HER AUTHORIZATION FOR --

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WELL THIS ISN'T ABOUT YOUR RANCH. THIS
21 IS ABOUT RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT, CENTERS, OKAY.

22

23 **TERRY WILBURN:** I UNDERSTAND SIR. THIS IS ABOUT THE
24 REHABILITATION.

25



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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NO. IT'S A TREATMENT SERVICE CONTRACT
2 FOR 30 WOMEN.

3

4 **TERRY WILBURN:** AND THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS,
5 SIR. THIS IS WHAT THIS IS ABOUT ON NUMBER 11.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** BUT NOT ABOUT YOUR RANCH, OKAY?

8

9 **TERRY WILBURN:** COUNTY-WIDE INSTITUTION AND ASK THAT
10 INFORMATION AND THE DATA CAME OUT. THEY'VE ABUSED THE SYSTEM,
11 EVEN JUST NOT LONG AGO, THEY HAD MY COUSIN IN LOCKED UP AND A
12 RAPE BY THIS --

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THAT'S A SEPARATE ISSUE, SIR. THIS IS
15 ABOUT A RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT PROGRAM. THIS IS NOT ABOUT YOUR
16 RANCH OR A FAMILY MEMBER.

17

18 **TERRY WILBURN:** SIR, YOU'RE MISUNDERSTANDING. PLUS YOU'RE
19 TAKING TIME OFF OF MY SPEAKING TO YOU IF YOU JUST COULD HEAR
20 ME, SIR. WHAT I'M SPEAKING OF, SIR, MY COUSIN IS IN THE
21 HOSPITAL. MY ORATOR AT THAT TIME FOR ARCO AND CHEVRON, SHE'S
22 NOW BACK AT HOME. THANK YOU SIR FOR YOUR TIME.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. 55-A AND 55-C, SIR.

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1 **TERRY WILBURN:** OH, 55-A.

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3 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** AND C. IF YOU ADDRESS BOTH OF THOSE
4 PLEASE.

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6 **TERRY WILBURN:** 55-A?

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8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** AND C. YOU SIGNED UP FOR BOTH.

9

10 **TERRY WILBURN:** OKAY. ON 55-A, I BELIEVE, IS CONCERNING THE
11 SHERIFF -- LET ME GET THIS RIGHT. AGAIN, THE SUPPLEMENTAL
12 CHILD CARE, THE DATA IN THAT AND THE TRAINING ALSO, THE DATA
13 IS NEW, WE KNOW, BECAUSE OF THE ABUSE OF IPHONE. WE ALSO KNOW
14 THAT THE DEBT IS GOOD BUT YET IF MY CHILD COULD GET KILLED, MY
15 STEP CHILD COULD GET KILLED BY THIS FALSE INFORMATION THAT
16 THIS FAMILY OF CHILDREN AND SERVICES WON'T PROVIDE ME THE
17 INFORMATION AND WITHHOLD THAT INFORMATION IT NEEDS TO BE
18 CLEARED BY THOSE PEOPLE. NOW, IN DOING SO WITH THE F.C.C. OR
19 DATA OR WHAT HAVE YOU, THE TRAINING, PEOPLE COME UP WITH
20 LICENSING. AND WE DO HAVE PEOPLE IN COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES
21 AND CITY COLLEGES, OR BUSINESS COLLEGES. BUT THEY DON'T BE
22 LOOKED AT. TO BE LOOKED AT IS THE PEOPLE WHO IS ON THE STREET
23 THAT AIN'T NEVER HAD EXPERIENCE AND JUST TRYING TO GET AHEAD
24 BASED ON THE CRIMINAL ACTIVITY THAT THEY ABUSE THEMSELVES. IN
25 THESE PROGRAMS, SIR. AND THEREFORE SINCE '98, I'VE BEEN --



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1 SINCE '94 OR '89, I'VE BEEN FIGHTING FOR MY CHILD, MY
2 CHILDREN, AND THEY'RE STILL BEING RAPED AND ABUSED BY THE
3 SYSTEM, FAMILY AND LOCAL POLICE DEPARTMENTS, AND THEIR
4 INFORMANTS. WE PUT THREE PEOPLE IN JAIL, SIR, BASED ON THAT.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

7

8 **TERRY WILBURN:** 55-C?

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10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH.

11

12 **TERRY WILBURN:** OR B?

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NO. C IS ALL.

15

16 **TERRY WILBURN:** OKAY. EMERGENCY CARE. IF MY CHILD NEEDS
17 EMERGENCY BECAUSE SHE HAD A KIDNEY PROBLEM OR THE HEAT THAT --
18 YOU SAID "B," RIGHT?

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NO. YOU SIGNED UP FOR 55-C. AGAIN, IT'S
21 A CONTRACT. OKAY?

22

23 **TERRY WILBURN:** OH, OKAY. ALL RIGHT. CONTRACT. OKAY. THE ABUSE
24 OF THE CALIFORNIA CONTRACTORS -- CONTRACTORS TASK FORCE THAT
25 GOES AROUND ABUSING THEIR AUTHORITY TO ATTACK VARIOUS PEOPLE.



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1 NOW, I DON'T OPPOSE THE SHERIFF FOR OPENING UP A NEW AREA FOR
2 OPERATION OR CONDUCTING JAIL, BUT I DO OPPOSE THE INFORMATION
3 THAT THE CONTRACTORS ARE USING THEIR ABUSIVE -- NOT ONLY THAT,
4 TACTIC OUTSIDE OF THE COURT. NOW, I AGREE WITH THE SHERIFF'S
5 DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION FOR INTEGRATION SERVICE, AUTOMATIC
6 JAIL INFORMATION. BUT MY PHONE AND THE U.S. COASTAL GUARD AND
7 THE SHERIFF, THEY HAD A COUPLE OF PEOPLE AT THE -- OFFICER --
8 I MEAN, SOME INMATES SAYING, CAN I USE HIS CELL PHONE, SO THE
9 INFORMATION GETS OUT AND THE DOPE COMES IN. THAT, I DO OPPOSE.
10 OKAY? THANK YOU.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. OKAY. ITEM 51-A AND C MOVED
13 BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT
14 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

15

16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND ITEM 11.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ITEM 11, CHAIR WILL MOVE IT, SECONDED BY
19 SUPERVISOR MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. OKAY. ITEM
20 22, I'LL CALL UP. I'D ASK SOMEONE FROM I.S.D. I REALLY -- IT'S
21 REALLY NOT -- JOHN, IT'S NOT A HEALTH QUESTION, IT'S A
22 QUESTION ABOUT SYSTEMS AND PROCESS. MAYBE MR. FUJIOKA, COULD
23 YOU ANSWER THIS QUESTION ON ITEM 22? MY CONCERN IS NOT THE
24 CONTRACT ITSELF, WHAT WE'RE DOING HERE TODAY. BUT THIS IS A
25 PIECE OF A PIE, OKAY? AND WE'RE DOING A LOT IN MEDICAL IMAGING



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1 AND MEDICAL RECORDS ORGANIZATIONAL KINDS OF THINGS. HAS THIS
2 BEEN EVALUATED AS PART OF A GREATER SYSTEM OF WHAT THE HEALTH
3 DEPARTMENT IS DOING, OF WHAT OUTSIDE GROUPS, COMMUNITY-BASED
4 GROUPS ARE DOING? THIS IS A VERY, VERY SIGNIFICANT ISSUE, ONE
5 WITH THE POTENTIAL OF SAVING TAXPAYERS MILLIONS, HUNDREDS OF
6 MILLIONS OF DOLLARS, AND SHOULD BE A PART OF THE NATIONAL
7 HEALTHCARE REFORM TALK. BUT WE SEEM TO BE ISOLATING DIFFERENT
8 PRODUCTS FOR A PARTICULAR PART OF OUR SYSTEM AND NEVER DEALING
9 WITH BIG PICTURE KINDS OF ITEMS. I DON'T KNOW IF OUR C.I.O. IS
10 HERE THAT CAN ADDRESS THAT, JOHN, MAYBE IN YOUR LITTLE WORLD,
11 BUT THERE'S OTHER PARTS OF YOUR WORLD THAT MAY NOT BE
12 INCLUDED. IS IT BEING LOOKED AT, OR ARE WE JUST APPROVING
13 CONTRACTS?

14

15 **JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** NO, IT IS BEING LOOKED AT, SUPERVISOR. THIS
16 PARTICULAR CONTRACT IS, AS YOU SAY, A PRETTY SMALL PIECE. IT
17 HAS TO DO WITH CARDIOLOGY IMAGING. AND THE INITIAL EFFORT OF
18 THIS IS TO ALLOW PROVIDERS AT DIFFERENT FACILITIES WITHIN ONE
19 OF OUR NETWORKS TO DO THAT. THE NEXT STEP IS TO ELEVATE IT
20 ACROSS THE ENTIRE SYSTEM SO THAT SOMEBODY AT HARVARD CAN SEE
21 SOMETHING THAT WAS DONE AT L.A.C.+U.S.C. AND THEN ULTIMATELY
22 IT FITS INTO THE SCOPE OF THE HEALTH INFORMATION EXCHANGE THAT
23 MR. FUJIOKA PRESENTED HERE ABOUT THREE OR FOUR WEEKS AGO,
24 WHICH IS TO ENABLE US TO SHARE THIS INFORMATION SO PEOPLE



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1 DON'T HAVE TO DUPLICATE TESTS AT OUR P.P.P.S AND AT OTHER
2 PRIVATE FACILITIES. SO WE ARE WORKING ON THAT.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WELL I MEAN, BECAUSE THERE'S OTHER
5 ORGANIZATIONS OUT THERE WITHIN THIS COUNTY, FROM A CALIFORNIA
6 MEDICAL ASSOCIATION TO THE L.A. COUNTY MEDICAL ASSOCIATION,
7 THE LONG BEACH HEALTH COALITION THAT ARE DOING THIS. ARE WE
8 TALKING TO THEM?

9

10 **JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** WE ARE. WE'VE BEEN WORKING, TALKING TO VARIOUS
11 GROUPS. AS PART OF THIS H.I.E. PROJECT, WE'RE GOING TO BE
12 PULLING TOGETHER A GROUP OF TECHNICAL FOLKS AND COMMUNITY AND
13 OTHER PARTNERS IN THIS TO TALK ABOUT HOW TO FURTHER THIS AND
14 MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE DESIGNING SOMETHING THAT'S GOING TO BE
15 USEFUL.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ALL RIGHT. WITH THAT, I'LL MOVE
18 IT. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
19 ORDERED. OKAY. WHAT ELSE DO WE HAVE? WHAT OTHER ITEMS?

20

21 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE HAVE ITEM NUMBER 18.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I DON'T SHOW ITEM NUMBER 18 AS A HELD
24 ITEM.

25



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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH CHANGED IT FROM A
2 CONTINUANCE OF ONE WEEK TO A HOLD.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, YOU HELD 18? YOU
5 HELD IT FROM A CONTINUANCE.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I'LL MOVE THE ITEM.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH,
10 CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. WHAT ELSE?

11

12 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE ALSO HAVE ITEM 14.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WHAT ABOUT 46?

15

16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** I'M SORRY, 46.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** 46, OKAY. OKAY. WE HAVE A NUMBER OF
19 SPEAKERS THAT HAVE SIGNED UP FOR 46 AND PUBLIC COMMENT. WE
20 WILL ALLOW YOU TO ADDRESS ONE OF THEM. I'M NOT SURE IF YOU
21 WANT TO DO PUBLIC COMMENT, BECAUSE THAT'S UP NEXT, ALTHOUGH
22 MAX QUITASOL HAS JUST SIGNED UP FOR 46, WOULD ASK THAT MAX
23 WOULD COME FORWARD, IF HE'S HERE. YES, SIR.

24



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1 **MAX QUITASOL:** GOOD AFTERNOON. I DID SIGN UP FOR 46, AND IT'S
2 REGARDING YOUR GUYS' L.A. COUNTY SHERIFFS. I'M HERE TODAY TO
3 TALK TO YOU GUYS ABOUT A GOOD FRIEND OF MINE, HIS NAME WAS
4 EZEKIEL TITO JACOBO. HE WAS GUNNED DOWN BY L.A. COUNTY
5 SHERIFFS TWO WEEKS AGO. AND I JUST WANT TO ASK YOU GUYS, YOU
6 KNOW, WE NEED YOU GUYS TO LOOK INTO THE MEN AND WOMEN THAT ARE
7 SUPPOSED TO BE PROTECTING AND SERVING THE COMMUNITIES UNDER
8 YOU GUYS' JURISDICTION. WE NEED MORE -- THERE'S A LOT OF
9 BRUTALITY GOING ON OUT THERE, A LOT OF IT AMONGST A LOT OF THE
10 COMMUNITY AND ALSO AGAINST THE PEOPLE THAT ARE SUPPOSED TO BE
11 SERVING AND PROTECTING US. AND IF YOU GUYS COULD, LIKE, YOU
12 KNOW, LOOK INTO THAT, I'M SURE YOU'LL HEAR MORE ABOUT THIS IN
13 THE PUBLIC COMMENT SECTION, BUT I JUST WANT TO MAKE YOU GUYS
14 AWARE THAT WE NEED SOME HELP DOWN THERE.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THANK YOU. CHAIR WILL MOVE 46.
17 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

18

19 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND CS-7.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** CS-7. GENEVIEVE? IS SHE COMING BACK? ALL
22 RIGHT. WE'LL CALL GENEVIEVE WHEN SHE COMES BACK. ALL RIGHT.
23 WE'LL GO TO PUBLIC COMMENTS.

24

25 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** PUBLIC COMMENT?



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** PUBLIC COMMENTS. CONSUELO AVENDANO,
3 PETER BELLOT, ANGEL GUERRERO, AND ALINA HERNANDEZ WOULD BE THE
4 FIRST FOUR SPEAKERS. OKAY.

5

6 **CONSUELO AVENDANO:** GOOD AFTERNOON. WE ARE HERE TODAY TO BE
7 HEARD OUT. MY FRIEND, EZEKIEL --

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** EXCUSE ME. PLEASE JUST STATE YOUR NAME
10 FOR THE RECORD. I ONLY CALLED UP FOUR.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE'RE ON ITEMS, RIGHT? I STILL HAVE ITEMS TO
13 CALL.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ALL RIGHT. SORRY. LET ME -- EXCUSE
16 ME JUST A SECOND.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS, FOR NEXT WEEK, I WOULD
19 LIKE TO INTRODUCE THE FOLLOWING MOTION. "ACCORDING TO THE
20 BUREAU OF JUSTICE STATISTICS, CRIME RATES HAVE DECREASED AS
21 INCARCERATION HAS INCREASED. 44 MILLION CRIMES WERE REPORTED
22 BY AMERICANS IN 1973, WHICH DROPPED TO 23 MILLION BY 2007
23 DESPITE AN INCREASE IN POPULATION OF 75 MILLION. AN EVEN
24 STEEPER DROP BY 59% OCCURRED IN VIOLENT CRIMES FROM THE MID-
25 90S TO 2005. MORE THAN 51 CRIMES OF VIOLENCE PER 1,000 U.S.



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1 RESIDENTS IN 1994 TO 21 IN 2005. DESPITE THE ABOVE, THE STATE
2 PROPOSES TO CURTAIL THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS
3 AND REHABILITATION'S BUDGET BY \$1.2 BILLION. ADDITIONALLY A
4 PANEL OF THREE JUDGES HAS RECENTLY ISSUED A RULING CONCERNING
5 PRISON OVERCROWDING WHICH POSES A SIGNIFICANT THREAT TO PUBLIC
6 SAFETY, WHICH ATTORNEY GENERAL JERRY BROWN HAS INDICATED OUGHT
7 TO BE APPEALED. ONE OPTION IS THE STATE IS NOW CONSIDERING TO
8 REDUCE THE PRISON POPULATION INVOLVES PLACING PAROLEES ON
9 ELECTRONIC MONITORING WHICH WILL SHORT-CIRCUIT PUBLIC SAFETY
10 BECAUSE STATE PAROLE IS NOT ADEQUATELY STAFFED TO RESPOND TO
11 VIOLATIONS. WHEN A PAROLEE ON AN ELECTRONIC MONITORING
12 VIOLATES THE TERM OF THE PROGRAM, A SIGNAL IS SENT TO A
13 CONTRACTED VENDOR, WHICH MAY BE OUT OF STATE OR EVEN OUT OF
14 THE COUNTRY. THAT VENDOR WILL THEN NOTIFY THE STATE BOARD,
15 STATE PAROLE BOARD OF THE VIOLATION. SINCE THE STATE PAROLE IS
16 SIGNIFICANTLY UNDERSTAFFED, THAT BURDEN WILL RESPOND TO OUR
17 LOCAL PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICERS, REMOVING THEM FROM THEIR DUTIES.
18 SO THAT FALLS ON THE SHOULDERS OF LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT,
19 ALREADY STRETCHED BECAUSE OF THIN BUDGET CUTS. CONCERTED
20 EFFORT TO SHIFT IN RESPONSIBILITY FOR STATE PRISONERS TO LOCAL
21 GOVERNMENT, BUT ALTERNATIVELY TO MINIMIZE ITS IMPACT THROUGH
22 THE VARIOUS CONCESSIONS, SUCH AS RECEIVING ADEQUATE FUNDING
23 SIMILAR TO THE STATE'S YOUTHFUL OFFENDER BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM,
24 WHICH REIMBURSES COUNTIES FOR RETAINING YOUTH IN OUR PROBATION
25 SYSTEM WHO WOULD OTHERWISE BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE STATE.



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1 SO I'D MOVE, AND THIS WOULD BE FOR NEXT WEEK, THAT THE BOARD
2 DIRECT THE C.E.O., IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE SHERIFF, THE
3 DISTRICT ATTORNEY AND THE CHIEF PROBATION OFFICER, TO SERVE AS
4 THE COUNTY'S LEAD REPRESENTATIVES TO COLLECTIVELY WORK WITH
5 THE APPROPRIATE STATE OFFICIALS TO, ONE, INFORM THE STATE OF
6 POTENTIAL OPERATIONAL AND FISCAL IMPACTS ON THE COUNTY'S
7 CRIMINAL JUSTICE AGENCIES AS THE STATE CONSIDERS A \$1.2
8 BILLION BUDGET CURTAILMENT TO THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF
9 CORRECTIONS AND PREPARE A PLAN TO REDUCE ITS PRISON POPULATION
10 IN RESPONSE TO THE RECENT RULING BY THE FEDERAL JUDGES. TWO,
11 EMPHASIZE AND ADVOCATE FOR A SOLUTION THAT PROMOTES PUBLIC
12 SAFETY AND AVOID SHIFTING ANY RESPONSIBILITY TO LOCAL
13 GOVERNMENT OR ALTERNATELY MINIMIZES ANY NEGATIVE IMPACT ON
14 LOCAL GOVERNMENTS BY ACCOMPANYING ANY SHIFT IN RESPONSIBILITY
15 WITH ADEQUATE RESOURCES, SIMILAR TO THE STATE'S YOUTHFUL
16 OFFENDER BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM. THREE, PROVIDE THE BOARD WITH
17 MONTHLY STATUS UPDATES IN WRITING." THAT WOULD BE FOR NEXT
18 WEEK, MR. CHAIRMAN.

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20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. YES.

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22 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** JUST REAL QUICKLY, SUPERVISORS.

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24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. ONE OTHER. AN ADJOURNMENT FOR FATHER
25 WINANCE, WHO PASSED AWAY. A PRIEST FOR NEARLY 75 YEARS AND



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1 FOUNDING FATHER OF THE ST. ANDREW'S ABBEY IN VALYERMO, PASSED
2 AWAY AT THE ANTELOPE VALLEY HOSPITAL YESTERDAY. AN AMAZING
3 LIFE THAT TOOK HIM FROM BELGIUM TO CHINA TO ROME TO INDIA TO
4 AFRICA AND TO THE UNITED STATES. FATHER WINANTS TAUGHT
5 THEOLOGY AND PHILOSOPHY TO STUDENTS AROUND THE WORLD. IN
6 CHINA, AFTER THE COMMUNISTS TOOK OVER, HE WAS IN PRISON FOR A
7 NUMBER OF YEARS BEFORE HE WAS RELEASED. HE SPOKE TO STUDENTS
8 IN LATIN AND CHINESE. IN AFRICA, HE TAUGHT FRENCH, CALCULUS,
9 EQUATIONS AND READING GREEK. IT KEPT HIM SHARP TO THE END.
10 TAKING THE NAME ELEUTHERIUS IN 1927, HE ENTERED INTO THE
11 MONASTERY BECOMING A PRIEST IN 1937, JUST AFTER EARNING HIS
12 PH.D. IN THEOLOGY AND PHILOSOPHY. JUST THIS PAST, IN FACT,
13 MONDAY I RECEIVED A LETTER FROM HIM THANKING US FOR A
14 RECOGNITION THAT WE HAD GIVEN TO HIM WHICH HE WAS ABLE TO
15 WRITE EVEN THOUGH HE WAS HAVING FAILING EYESIGHT. BUT HE WAS A
16 GREAT ROLE MODEL FOR ALL AND HE GAVE HIS LIFE TO THE LORD, SO
17 I MOVE WE ADJOURN IN HIS MEMORY.

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19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU. SORRY.

22

23 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I WANTED TO MAKE SOMETHING REAL -- A REAL
24 QUICK ADDITION, IF YOU MIND, TO SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH'S
25 MOTION. WE'VE IDENTIFIED ANOTHER VERY SIGNIFICANT SEGMENT OF



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1 OUR INMATE POPULATION THAT ACTUALLY FALLS UNDER THE
2 RESPONSIBILITY OF THE STATE, AND SO I'D LIKE TO BROADEN IT TO
3 ENSURE THAT WE PURSUE REIMBURSEMENT FOR THAT POPULATION
4 BECAUSE IT REPRESENTS WE THINK A VERY LARGE AMOUNT OF MONEY.

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ABSOLUTELY. OKAY. TO THE SPEAKERS,
7 IF YOU -- I APOLOGIZE FOR THAT INTERRUPTION THERE, IF YOU'D
8 JUST IDENTIFY YOURSELF FOR THE RECORD AND THEN PROCEED.

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10 **CONSUELO AVENDANO:** MY NAME IS CONSUELO AVENDANO. GOOD
11 AFTERNOON. WE'RE HERE TO BE HEARD OUT. MY FRIEND, EZEKIEL TITO
12 JACOBO WAS SHOT SEVEN TIMES IN THE BACK, MURDERED BY A
13 SHERIFF. LATINO COMMUNITY AND AFRICAN COMMUNITY HAVE A COMMON
14 GOAL. OUR YOUNG MEN ARE BEING KILLED BY SHERIFFS. TOGETHER WE
15 WILL FIGHT FOR INJUSTICE. I CAN'T GO TO THE PARK OR GO TO THE
16 MOVIES WITH MY FRIEND. HE CAN'T HAVE TIME WITH HIS SON
17 ANYMORE. HIS SON HAS NO FATHER ANYMORE. I WANT JUSTICE FOR MY
18 FRIEND. HE WAS GUNNED -- HE WAS SHOT TWICE AND HE WAS ON THE
19 FLOOR ALREADY AND THEY SHOT HIM SEVEN TIMES ON THE BACK. HE
20 WAS ALREADY HELPLESS, PEPPER SPRAYED AND EVERYTHING. TITO, I
21 KNOW YOU'RE IN HEAVEN, AND IF YOU CAN HEAR ME, I LOVE YOU AND
22 WE'RE HERE FOR YOU. WE'RE HERE TO SPEAK FOR YOU. HIS FRIENDS,
23 HIS FAMILY, HIS MOTHER AND HIS FATHER COULDN'T BE HERE TODAY,
24 BUT I'M HERE FOR THEM. THANK YOU.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

2

3 **ANGEL GUERRERO:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS ANGEL GUERRERO. AND
4 I'M HERE IN FRONT OF YOU GUYS TODAY, JUST WANT TO SPEAK OF NOT
5 ONLY ON BEHALF OF EZEKIEL TITO JACOBO, BUT ON BEHALF OF EVERY
6 OTHER VICTIM THAT HAS BEEN TRAGICALLY MURDERED AND EXECUTED BY
7 BAD SHERIFFS, BAD COPS. I'M NOT SAYING THERE'S A LOT OF BAD
8 COPS, BUT WE NEED TO WEED THEM OUT. I THINK THERE SHOULD BE
9 MORE INVESTIGATION IN THE MURDERS THAT HAVE TO DO WITH SHERIFF
10 SHOOTING INCIDENTS. FROM WHAT I'VE KNOWN AND I'VE SEEN IN ALL
11 MY LIFE, EVERY TIME A DEPUTY, A SHERIFF SHOOTS SOMEBODY, THEY
12 JUST LET IT PASS BY AND NOTHING HAS EVER BEEN DONE. NOTHING
13 HAS EVER BEEN DONE. DOES IT HAVE TO BE ON CAMERA SO SOMETHING
14 COULD BE DONE? DOES IT HAVE TO BE REALLY ON CAMERA? CAN
15 ANYBODY DO REALLY SOMETHING? IT'S UPSETTING TO US, TO THE
16 COMMUNITY. WE DID A MARCH. AND IF NOTHING CAN'T BE DONE, WE'RE
17 GOING TO DO ANOTHER MARCH AND WE'RE GOING TO PROTEST UNTIL WE
18 ARE HEARD. AND WE ARE TIRED OF THIS POLICE BRUTALITY
19 HARASSMENT. JUST BECAUSE I'M BALD, JUST BECAUSE FRIENDS ARE
20 BALD, WE GET PULLED OVER JUST BECAUSE THE WAY WE LOOK. DON'T
21 JUDGE US BY THE WAY WE LOOK. JUST BECAUSE I'M NOT WEARING A
22 SUIT, IT'S NOT WORKING LIKE THAT. WE ARE HUMAN BEINGS. TITO
23 WAS A HUMAN BEING. THERE ARE MORE PEOPLE THAT ARE HUMAN BEINGS
24 THAT HAVE BEEN FALLING VICTIMS OF CRIMES FROM SHERIFF, FROM
25 BAD SHERIFFS. NOT ALL SHERIFFS ARE BAD, BUT THERE ARE A LOT OF



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1 SHERIFFS THAT ARE JUST FORMED INTO THIS SO-CALLED GANG THEY
2 CALL THEMSELVES. I'VE BEEN INTO THE COUNTY JAIL. AND WHEN YOU
3 GO IN THERE, THEY THEMSELVES SAY WE'RE THE BIGGEST GANG IN
4 L.A., THE SHERIFFS. [APPLAUSE]

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6 **ANGEL GUERRERO:** THANK YOU.

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8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. I'D ASK EDDIE JONES AND
9 JESSICA OVIEDO TO JOIN US PLEASE. OKAY. GO AHEAD.

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11 **PETER BELLOT:** HI. MY NAME IS PETER BELLOT. AND I'M HERE TO
12 SPEAK FOR A FRIEND. HE WAS NOT ONLY A FRIEND, HE WAS LIKE
13 FAMILY TO ME, TITO. HE WAS A GOOD FRIEND, HE WAS A GOOD
14 PERSON. HE WAS THERE FOR ME ALL THE TIME, EVERY TIME I NEEDED
15 HELP FIXING MY BIKE OR ANYTHING ELSE, HE WOULD HELP US, FOR
16 ANY LITTLE THING, EVERY SINGLE PERSON IN MY FAMILY, AND
17 EVERYTHING, AND I DON'T UNDERSTAND HOW THE COPS JUST SHOOT
18 HIM, YOU KNOW. MEANWHILE, HE'S RUNNING AWAY FROM THEM, THEY
19 SHOOT HIM TWO TIMES. HE FALLS ON THE FLOOR. I THINK THAT WAS
20 ENOUGH. I DON'T BELIEVE COPS SHOULD JUST RUN UP WHILE THEY'RE
21 ON THE FLOOR AND SHOOT THEM SEVEN MORE TIMES, SIX MORE TIMES.
22 AND I DON'T KNOW HOW THAT COULD HAPPEN, HOW THEY COULD LET
23 THAT PASS BY. IF IT WERE A PERSON THAT WASN'T A COP, THEY
24 WOULD HAVE BEEN IN JAIL OR -- YOU KNOW? I THINK THE COPS



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1 SHOULD GET THE SAME TIME THAT A REGULAR PERSON SHOULD GET. AND
2 THAT'S ALL.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

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6 **JESSICA OVIEDO:** HI. MY NAME IS JESSICA OVIEDO. I'M HERE TO
7 ADDRESS THIS ISSUE WITH THE CARSON SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. TODAY
8 IS 10 DAYS SINCE THE CARSON SHERIFF GAVE EACH OTHER A HIGH
9 FIVE FOR KILLING A YOUNG, UNARMED MAN. THEY SHOT HIM SEVEN
10 TIMES IN THE BACK. WHO DOES THAT? IN THE "DAILY BREEZE"
11 ARTICLE SAID THE OFFICERS WHO DID THIS WERE SENTENCED TO A
12 MANDATORY SHOOTING SESSION, DESK WORK FOR A WEEK AND IS BACK
13 ON THE STREETS NOW. POLICE OFFICERS LIKE OFFICER TAYLOR WHO
14 DID THIS, OFFICER HERNANDEZ, OFFICER LUTHER, THAT'S BEEN IN
15 OUR NEIGHBORHOOD HARASSING US WHILE WE'RE SITTING THERE WITH
16 OUR KIDS TRYING TO WATER OUR GRASS, PASSING BY, TAKING
17 VIDEOTAPE, LAUGHING AT US, HARASSING MY FAMILY, FRIENDS AND
18 NEIGHBORS ARE NOT DOING THEIR JOB. SOMEBODY NEEDS TO LOOK IN
19 THIS AND TAKE THIS SERIOUS ISSUE INTO THEIR OWN HANDS AND DO
20 SOMETHING ABOUT IT. WE APPRECIATE YOUR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND
21 THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP.

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23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALINA HERNANDEZ, LUIS RAMIREZ, MARIE
2 REYES, AND RAVEN RIVERA.

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4 **EDDIE JONES:** OKAY. GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD. IT'S BEEN QUITE A
5 DAY. MY NAME IS EDDIE JONES, PRESIDENT OF THE LOS ANGELES
6 CIVIL RIGHTS ASSOCIATION. AS YOU WELL KNOW, WOODROW PLAYER,
7 JR., SHOT DOWN BY THE COUNTY SHERIFFS IN THE BACK EIGHT TIMES.
8 YOUNG CODY, JR. IN COMPTON SHOT DOWN BY THE COUNTY SHERIFFS
9 TWO TIMES IN THE BACK, 16 YEARS OLD. JOHN THOMAS HORTON, III,
10 ALLEGEDLY HUNG IN THE MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL UNDER THE COUNTY
11 SHERIFFS. EZEKIEL TITO JACOBO, ON 8/8/09 WAS IN A GARAGE. HE
12 WAS MACED IN HIS FACE. HE COULDN'T SEE, SO HE TRIED TO RUN OUT
13 THE GARAGE. BUT PRIOR TO THAT, ON JULY THE 15TH, HIS VEHICLE
14 WAS STOPPED. BUT PRIOR TO THAT TWO YEARS AGO, HE MADE A REPORT
15 ON OFFICER TAYLOR, SHERIFF TAYLOR. SHERIFF TAYLOR WAS DEMOTED
16 AT THAT TIME FOR WHAT HE DID, WHAT TITO REPORTED. TWO YEARS
17 LATER, OFFICER TAYLOR IS IN THAT SAME GARAGE, HE MACED HIM.
18 THE FEMALE OFFICER, HERNANDEZ, SHOT HIM IN THE LEG. TITO WAS
19 FLAT DOWN ON THE GROUND. HE WAS NOT A THREAT. OFFICER TAYLOR,
20 THE SAME ONE THAT WAS DEMOTED FOR TITO MAKING A REPORT ON HIM
21 TWO YEARS PRIOR, CAME BACK AND HE SHOT TITO IN THE BACK SIX
22 TIMES. THE SAME OFFICER THAT WAS DEMOTED BY TITO BECAUSE TITO
23 MADE A REPORT TWO YEARS AGO IS THE SAME OFFICER THAT FINISHED
24 OFF TITO IN THE YARD WHILE HE WAS ON THE GROUND FACE DOWN.
25 THAT IS NOT RIGHT. I WANT THE F.B.I. TO INVESTIGATE THIS, I



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1 WANT THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, STEVE COOLEY, TO
2 INVESTIGATE THIS. AND THE COMMUNITY, YOU BETTER BELIEVE,
3 THEY'RE INVESTIGATING THIS. AND IF I HAVE TO TAKE IT ALL THE
4 WAY TO WASHINGTON, D.C., WE NEED TO STOP THIS. BECAUSE IF IT
5 DOESN'T STOP, THERE'S GOING TO BE SOME BIG PROBLEMS, SO WE
6 NEED TO MAKE SOME CHANGES. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

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10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. YES. WHOEVER IS NEXT.

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12 **ALINA HERNANDEZ:** HELLO COUNSELOR. I'M ALINA HERNANDEZ I'M ALSO
13 HERE ON BEHALF OF TITO. HE WAS A GREAT FAMILY FRIEND, A VERY
14 PROTECTIVE PERSON, LIKE AN UNCLE TO ME. HE WAS SHOT VERY BAD,
15 SEVEN TIMES IN HIS BACK. HE DID NOT DESERVE IT. HE WAS A GREAT
16 FATHER, A GREAT SON, A GREAT FAMILY FRIEND. HE WAS A BIG
17 COMMUNITY PERSON. HE HELPED OUT ANYBODY WHO NEEDED THEIR
18 REFRIGERATOR FIXED, ANYTHING PAINTED. IF A CAR WAS DOWN AND
19 OUT, HE WOULD GO GET HIS TOW TRUCK, GO PICK UP MY DAD FROM
20 PASADENA ALL THE WAY OVER THERE, A TWO-HOUR DRIVE FROM CARSON,
21 JUST TO GO PICK HIM UP SO HE WOULD COME BACK HOME FROM PICKING
22 UP MY LITTLE SISTER. HE DID A LOT FOR MY FAMILY AND I WOULD
23 THANK GOD FOR HIM EVERY DAY AND. I HOPE THERE WILL BE JUSTICE
24 FOR US. AND I HOPE TITO GETS, YOU KNOW, WHAT HE DESERVES IN



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1 THE END, YOU KNOW. AND I HOPE THAT THAT OFFICER IS OUT OFF THE
2 STREETS AND NOT HARMING ANYBODY ELSE. [APPLAUSE]

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. ROSEANNA RIVERA AND OUDY
5 WALL. IF YOU'D JOIN US PLEASE. WHOEVER IS NEXT, GO AHEAD.

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7 **RAVEN RIVERA:** MY NAME IS RAVEN RIVERA, AND I WANT TO KNOW WHY
8 MY FRIEND TITO WAS SHOT IN HIS BACK BY THE POLICE OFFICER. MY
9 FRIEND, TITO, WAS A GOOD PERSON. HE HELPED ALL THE PEOPLE THAT
10 I KNOW. HE GIVE ME AND MY BROTHERS OUR TURTLE, OUR FIRST ONE.
11 AND TITO HAS ALWAYS TOLD US TO BE GOOD IN SCHOOL AND TO BE
12 GOOD TO OUR PARENTS. AND HE CAME AROUND US A LOT AND HE WAS
13 LIKE A FAMILY MEMBER BECAUSE HE WAS SO NICE TO US, AND THAT'S
14 ALL I WANT TO SAY. THANK YOU.

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16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE] >LUIS RAMIREZ:
17 GOOD AFTERNOON. 10 DAYS AGO, MY FRIEND, TITO, WAS SHOT --

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19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SIR. JUST IDENTIFY YOURSELF, PLEASE.

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21 **LUIS RAMIREZ:** ALL RIGHT. MY NAME IS LUIS RAMIREZ.

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23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THANK YOU, LUIS.

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1 **LUIS RAMIREZ:** 10 DAYS AGO, MY FRIEND, TITO, WAS SHOT IN THE
2 BACK, EXECUTION STYLE, FROM A SHERIFF. HE RAN AWAY FROM THE
3 SHERIFF NOT MEANING ANY HARM TO HIM, HE WAS RUNNING AWAY FROM
4 HIM, NOT TOWARDS HIM, HE WASN'T PUTTING THEM IN DANGER. HE WAS
5 PUT ON THE GROUND AND GOT SHOT SEVEN TIMES. IF IT WAS ANYBODY
6 ELSE, ANYBODY NORMAL, WE WOULD GET CAPITAL PUNISHMENT FOR
7 THAT. WHY IS IT SO DIFFERENT FOR THEM TO DO THAT? SEVEN TIMES
8 IN THE BACK IS NOT JUSTIFIED, IT'S NOT EXPLANATORY. THAT'S
9 MURDER, FIRST-DEGREE MURDER. HE WAS A GOOD PERSON. I'VE KNOWN
10 HIM SINCE I WAS 13 YEARS OLD. I'M 27 NOW. HE HAD A KID, JUST
11 LIKE I DID. HE WAS A FAMILY MAN. HE WILL NOT BE THERE FOR HIS
12 KID NO MORE. WE JUST SIMPLY WANT EQUAL OPPORTUNITY. A COUPLE
13 OF DAYS AGO, THERE WAS A SHOOTING IN THE SAME CITY WITH THE
14 SAME SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. WITHIN TWO DAYS, THEY HAD A MEETING
15 ABOUT THAT, TALKING TO THEM ABOUT THAT. BUT IT'S BEEN 10 DAYS
16 NOW AND THEY HAVEN'T ADDRESSED THIS OR TALKED TO US ABOUT THAT
17 BECAUSE WE LIVE IN THE LOWER COMMUNITY THAN THEY DID. WE JUST
18 WANT EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES. WE JUST WANT TO BE HEARD. WE WOULD
19 LIKE IT IF YOU WOULD LOOK INTO IT. BECAUSE THAT SIMPLY WAS
20 JUST NOT RIGHT. EVERYBODY IS HUMAN. HE GOT KILLED AS IF HE WAS
21 AN ANIMAL. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

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23 **ROSANNA RIVERA:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS ROSANNA RIVERA. AND
24 I'M HERE TODAY BECAUSE A MAN WAS KILLED EXECUTION STYLE BY THE
25 VERY POLICE WHO ARE SUPPOSED TO BE HERE TO PROTECT AND SERVE.



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1 THE POLICE ARE THE ONES WE HAVE TO FEAR IN OUR COMMUNITY. OUR
2 CONSTITUTION STATES THAT ALL PEOPLE ARE CREATED EQUAL AND THAT
3 NO PERSON IS ABOVE THE LAW. WHEN DOES THE SYSTEM THAT WE ARE
4 TO BELIEVE IN STEP IN AND TAKE EFFECT, WHERE IF YOU BREAK THE
5 LAW, YOU WILL BE HELD ACCOUNTABLE FOR DOING SO. POLICE
6 OFFICERS THAT ABUSE THEIR POSITION IN AUTHORITY AND BREAK LAWS
7 NEED TO BE STOPPED. AND WE ARE HERE TODAY TO ASK YOU TO HELP
8 US STOP THEM AND BRING THEM TO JUSTICE. THANK YOU.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

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12 **MARIA REYES-ADAMA:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS MARIA GUADALUPE
13 MANUELA REYES-ADAMA. AND I'M HERE BECAUSE OF THE SAME REASON.
14 AND I DIDN'T KNOW THE YOUNG MAN AND I WAS THERE BECAUSE I
15 BELIEVE THAT EVERYTHING THEY SAY HAPPENED. BECAUSE I HAVE BEEN
16 OR I WAS A NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH CAPTAIN IN MY NEIGHBORHOOD WHERE
17 THIS HAPPENED SINCE 2001. AND I MYSELF WAS BRUTALLY BEATEN BY
18 A FEMALE SHERIFF BECAUSE OF AN INCIDENT WHERE I WAS TRYING TO
19 GO TO OUR ASSOCIATION OFFICE TO GET RECEIPTS FOR MY DUES, MY
20 \$240 DUES THAT I PAY A MONTH, AND THEY CALLED THE SHERIFFS ON
21 ME FOR NO REASON. AND I WAS BEATEN UP AFTER THEY BRUTALLY BEAT
22 MY FIANCE. AND, YOU KNOW, I KNOW THAT YOU THINK IT'S
23 INCREDIBLE. BUT I JUST WANT TO TELL YOU, YOU KNOW, THE PEOPLE
24 CRY OUT TO OUR LEADERS, WHICH ARE YOU. AND NOT ONLY YOU BUT
25 OUR STATE LEADERS ARE, YOU KNOW, THE WHOLE COUNTRY, THIS IS --



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1 EARLIER YOU USED THE WORD EPIDEMIC. THIS IS AN EPIDEMIC. THERE
2 ARE MANY, MANY LAW REPRESENTATIVES THAT ARE ABUSING THE LAW
3 AND THEY'RE GETTING AWAY WITH IT AND NOBODY IS DOING ANYTHING
4 ABOUT IT. AND I MYSELF WISH THAT SOMEBODY, YOU, AS IT STATES
5 THERE, YOU'RE BY THE PEOPLE, FOR THE PEOPLE. SHOW US THAT,
6 BECAUSE WE HAVE BEEN CRYING OUT TO YOU SO THAT YOU CAN HELP
7 US, BECAUSE EVEN THOUGH WE DO LIVE IN WHAT THEY CALL THE
8 PROJECTS, WHICH THEY'RE REALLY NOT PROJECTS, AND THEY GO IN
9 THERE AND WHAT DO THEY DO, THEY PRACTICE EVERYTHING THEY'VE
10 BEEN TRAINED FOR ON US. AND LIKE I SAID, IT'S AN EPIDEMIC,
11 IT'S GOING CROSS COUNTRY. YOU CAN SEE IT ON THE INTERNET, YOU
12 CAN SEE IT ON THE NEWS. AND NOBODY IS DOING ANYTHING. LUCKILY
13 SOMETHING HAPPENED TO A WELL-KNOWN PERSON THAT NOW PRESIDENT
14 OBAMA IS INVOLVED. BUT EVERYBODY SHOULD BE INVOLVED, EVERYBODY
15 SHOULD BE CONCERNED, BECAUSE WE'RE ALL BROTHERS. THANK YOU. [
16 APPLAUSE]

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18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YES, SIR. I'D ASK THAT GWEN PATRICK JOIN
19 US, CHARLES PATRICK, WILLIAM KEMP, I BELIEVE, AND JOYCE KELLY,
20 IF THEY'RE STILL HERE. OKAY. YES, SIR.

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22 **UDY WALL:** MY NAME IS UDY THOMAS WALL, JR. I WAS BRUTALLY
23 BEATEN BY SIX SHERIFF'S DEPUTIES WHILE I WAS ON MY KNEES. I
24 SIMPLY ASKED THEM A QUESTION, WHAT'S GOING ON HERE? THEY HAD
25 MY WIFE IN THE POLICE CAR. THEY TOLD ME TO SHUT THE "F" UP AND



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1 MOVE YOUR BLACK "A" ON. I SAID, I BEG YOUR PARDON? THEY SAID
2 YOU HEARD US. MOVE YOUR BLACK "M" "F"-ING "A" ON. I SAID, YOU
3 SHOULDN'T TALK TO ME LIKE THAT. I SAID, I LIVE HERE, AND THIS
4 IS PRIVATE PROPERTY, I HAVE A RIGHT TO BE HERE. I SAID THAT'S
5 MY WIFE THERE. WE DON'T GIVE A "F" WHO SHE IS TO YOU. WE TOLD
6 YOU UNLESS YOU WANT TO GET YOUR BLACK "A" ARRESTED, MOVE YOUR
7 BLACK "A" ON BEFORE WE KICK YOUR BLACK "A." THEY SAID A WHOLE
8 LOT OF OTHER THINGS AFTER THAT. ON THE 8TH OF THIS MONTH, TITO
9 WAS MURDERED BY A SHERIFF'S DEPUTY. THEY SAY THAT WHEN YOU'RE
10 RUNNING AWAY, YOU DON'T POSE A THREAT. DEPUTIES WOULD KNOW
11 THAT MORE THAN ANYBODY. ON CHANNEL 7, A YOUNG MAN, 11 YEARS
12 OLD, WITNESSED WHAT HAPPENED AND HE SAID WHAT HE WITNESSED. ON
13 THE 12TH OF AUGUST, OFFICER LUTHER OF THE CARSON SHERIFF'S
14 DEPARTMENT CALLED THAT YOUNG MAN OVER TO HIS CAR IN SCOTTSDALE
15 TOWNHOUSE, INC., ASKED HIM HOW OLD HE WAS. HE TOLD HIM HE WAS
16 11. HE SAID, YOU KNOW, YOU'RE "F"-ING LUCKY YOU'RE ONLY 11,
17 OTHERWISE THAT BIG "F"-IN' MOUTH YOU GOT COULD GET YOU IN A
18 LOT OF "F"-IN' TROUBLE. NOW, HE'S ALREADY GOT AN 11-YEAR-OLD
19 IN HIS CROSS-SIGHTS. THIS SHOWS A PATTERN THAT'S SYSTEMIC AS
20 FAR AS THEM GETTING AWAY WITH DOING THE POLICE BRUTALITY AND
21 MURDER WITH, YOU KNOW, AFFINITY, LIKE NOTHING'S GOING TO
22 HAPPEN TO THEM. WHEN ARE WE, AS A PEOPLE, GOING TO HOLD THEM
23 ACCOUNTABLE? THE SAME THING WAS BEING DONE TO JESUS BY THE
24 GUARDS AND THE SOLDIERS. THAT'S WHAT THE POLICE AND SHERIFFS
25 ARE. THEY'RE THE GUARDS AND THE SOLDIERS. SO THIS IS NOT



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1 SOMETHING NEW. THIS HAS BEEN GOING ON AND ON. I JUST THINK
2 THAT IT'S TIME FOR YOU ALL TO RECOGNIZE IT AND ADMIT IT FOR
3 WHAT IT IS. WE NEED LAW ENFORCEMENT, WE NEED ADEQUATE LAW
4 ENFORCEMENT, BUT THESE PEOPLE ARE RUNNING AROUND, YOU KNOW,
5 COMMITTING A BARRAGE OF CRIMES UNDER THE COLOR OF AUTHORITY.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

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9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. GWEN AND CHARLES PATRICK, WILLIAM
10 KEMP, JOYCE KELLY, AND THEN GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL.

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12 **GWEN PATRICK:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF
13 SUPERVISORS, CHAIRMAN. MY NAME IS GWEN PATRICK, RESIDENT OF
14 COMPTON, CALIFORNIA, SECOND DISTRICT. I BRING A CONCERN TO YOU
15 REGARDING A PROJECT THAT'S BROUGHT BEFORE THE RESIDENTS AND
16 TAXPAYERS OF OUR CITY BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF COMPTON,
17 CALIFORNIA. THIS PROJECT THAT THEY BROUGHT IS AN INITIATIVE
18 WHICH WILL LEAD TO THE CREATION OF THE COMPTON POLICE
19 DEPARTMENT. FUNDING FOR THIS PROJECT IN WHICH OVER 75% OF
20 RESIDENTS VOTED OVERWHELMINGLY AGAINST OVER FOUR YEARS AGO
21 WILL COST \$19,901,000. THE RESOLUTION IS TO REALLOCATE FUNDING
22 FOR THESE EXPENDITURES THROUGH THE REFINANCING OF LEASE
23 REVENUE BONDS. THERE ARE SEVERAL ISSUES WISE RESPONSIBLE CITY
24 LEADERSHIP SHOULD CONSIDER. NUMBER ONE, THE TRUE ISSUE HERE IS
25 NOT CAN THEY DO IT, BUT SHOULD THEY DO IT. COMPLIANCE WITH



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1 GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 6586 FACILITY LEASE AND TRUST SECTION
2 IS ESTABLISHED. BUT SPENDING ALMOST \$20 MILLION IN A TIME WHEN
3 OUR SENIOR CITIZENS HAVE BEEN OVERLOOKED BY OUR CITY WITH
4 REGARD TO C.R.A. PROGRAMS THAT SHOULD HAVE BEEN ADDRESSED,
5 LIFE SAVING REPAIRS TO THEIR HOMES OVER A YEAR AGO. AND THEN
6 ALSO FIRST-TIME HOME BUYERS PROGRAM THAT C.R.A. OFFICIALS
7 FAILED TO PROPERLY OVERSEE AND FUND. ALL THIS IS
8 UNQUESTIONABLY WRONG. ONCE AGAIN WITH BRINGING IN UNWANTED
9 COMPTON POLICE FORCE IN, SENIOR CITIZENS' WISHES AND NEEDS
10 WILL BE PLACED AGAIN ON THE BACK BURNER. WHY MONEY FOR THE
11 POLICE DEPARTMENT PROJECT WILL COME FROM LEASE BOND FUNDS THAT
12 WERE ALLOCATED FOR A NEW SENIOR CITIZEN CENTER, AT THE OLD
13 TRANSIT CENTER AND A PARKING LOT FACILITY ADJACENT TO THAT.
14 THE LAND USE FOR THE INITIAL BOND WILL BE INCOME GENERATING.
15 THE USE OF REVENUE TAKEN FROM THIS PROJECT IN NO WAY EVEN
16 SUGGESTS THAT THIS NEW POLICE BUILDING IS INTENDED TO REPLACE
17 THE BORROWED FUNDS. NUMBER TWO, IS THIS A WISE MOVE? ACCORDING
18 EVEN TO OUR STATE CONTROLLER, IT'S AN INADVISABLE MOVE. A
19 REPORT OF THE INTERAGENCY MUNICIPAL SECURITIES TASK FORCE,
20 WHICH I'VE GIVEN YOU, GIVES THAT INFORMATION IN DETAIL. THANK
21 YOU SO MUCH.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. JUST -- CAN I JUST, BEFORE
24 YOU SPEAK? TO THE INDIVIDUALS LEAVING THAT WERE HERE ON THE
25 OTHER ITEM, YOU NEED TO KNOW THAT THERE IS AN INVESTIGATION,



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1 THE OFFICE OF INDEPENDENT REVIEW IS REVIEWING THE WHOLE
2 SITUATION, SO THERE IS AN INVESTIGATION GOING ON. OKAY. YES,
3 SIR. THANK YOU. GO AHEAD, SIR.

4

5 **WILLIAM KEMP:** GOOD EVENING, HONORABLE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND
6 MY SUPERVISOR, SUPERVISOR MR. MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS. MY NAME IS
7 WILLIAM KEMP. AND WELL, MY CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILY AND
8 FRIENDS OF THOSE WHO LEFT. BUT I'M HERE TODAY TO ASK FOR THE
9 COUNTY SUPERVISORS' HELP. AS A RESIDENT OF COMPTON BORN AND
10 RAISED, I ALSO LED IN 2004 THE MEASURE D CAMPAIGN IN COMPTON
11 BY WHICH WE VOTED, WE TOOK A VOTE TO -- WHETHER TO REESTABLISH
12 THE COMPTON POLICE DEPARTMENT OR KEEP THE SHERIFF'S
13 DEPARTMENT. TWO-THIRDS OF THE PEOPLE, 67%, VOTED TO KEEP THE
14 SHERIFFS IN COMPTON. OUR COUNCIL HAS TAKEN IT UPON ITSELF TO
15 INITIATE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE COMPTON POLICE DEPARTMENT
16 THROUGH CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUNDS BY WAY OF USING LEASE
17 REVENUE BONDS. THIS HAS CONCERNED MANY RESIDENTS IN OUR
18 COMMUNITY FOR SEVERAL REASONS. ONE, WE HEAR OF THE GOVERNOR
19 AND THE STATE PLANNING TO RELEASE BETWEEN 300 TO 100 EARLY
20 RELEASE PEOPLE. COMPTON HAS ONE OF THE HIGHEST PAROLEE
21 COMMUNITIES IN THE COUNTY. SO WE HAVE NO DOUBT THAT THESE
22 PEOPLE, OR A MAJORITY OF THEM, ARE HEADED TO OUR COMMUNITY.
23 THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT HAS MADE OUR COMMUNITY MUCH SAFER. WE
24 ARE ASKING FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND YOUR HELP. IN 1995, COMPTON
25 WAS THE MURDER CAPITAL OF THE WORLD. IN THE '90S, WE AVERAGED



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1 100 HOMICIDES A YEAR. NOW WE AVERAGE A LITTLE OVER HALF, WHICH
2 MEANS IN THE EIGHT YEARS THAT THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT HAS
3 BEEN IN COMPTON, WE'VE HAD AT LEAST 350 LESS HOMICIDES OVER AN
4 EIGHT-YEAR PERIOD OF TIME. WE HAVE RESTAURANTS THAT YOU CAN
5 NOW SIT OUTSIDE AND EAT. WE DON'T HAVE DRUG DEALING ON
6 CORNERS, AND NOW WE ARE FACED WITH THIS PROBLEM OF THEM
7 REMOVING THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. AND WE ARE ASKING FOR THE
8 COUNTY'S SUPPORT. THANK YOU.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN, BEFORE THE NEXT SPEAKER
11 SPEAKS, JUS TO ASK THAT ITEM NUMBER 5 BE RECONSIDERED? AND
12 INSTEAD OF A FOUR-WEEK CONTINUANCE, BE CONTINUED FOR THREE
13 WEEKS?

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15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED. CHAIR WILL SECOND,
16 RECONSIDERATION. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. WE WILL
17 CONTINUE FOR THREE WEEKS. THANK YOU. NEXT, MA'AM.

18

19 **JOYCE KELLY:** JOYCE KELLY. GOOD AFTERNOON. I'M HERE CONCERNING
20 THE POPULATION OF THE RESIDENTS IN THE CITY OF COMPTON WHICH
21 IS IN L.A. COUNTY. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, WE HAVE NOT GIVEN OUR
22 SOVEREIGNTY TO THE OFFICIALS IN COMPTON. WE WANT TO BE A PART
23 OF THAT GOVERNMENT. ON ONE EVENING AT A COUNCIL MEETING, I WAS
24 CALLED OUT OF ORDER AND I WAS TALKING IN A TONE LIKE I'M
25 TALKING TO YOU. AS A 61-YEAR-OLD GRANDMOTHER OF ONE, I DID NOT



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1 APPROPRIATE BEING CALLED UPON AS BEING OUT OF ORDER AND HAVING
2 A SECURITY GUARD, WHO WAS TWICE MY SIZE, TO GRAB ME BY THE
3 ARM. AND I HAD TO YELL TO THE CITY ATTORNEY THAT I WAS
4 SPEAKING UNDER THE BROWN ACT AND THE CONSTITUTION OF THE
5 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. OUR CITY, OUR RESIDENTS ARE BEING
6 FORCED TO LIVE IN A DICTATORSHIP FORM OF GOVERNMENT. WE HAVE
7 VOTED ON HAVING THE SHERIFF IN OUR CITY. I DON'T KNOW, BUT I
8 PRAY TO GOD THAT YOU WILL HELP US CONTINUE TO HAVE OUR SHERIFF
9 IN OUR CITY. THERE ARE SO MANY PROGRAMS THAT THE SHERIFF HAS
10 BROUGHT TO OUR CITY. AND IN ADDRESSING WHAT IS HAPPENING WITH
11 THE SHERIFF, I THINK THAT IF OUR LEADERS WOULD GET TOGETHER
12 AND TALK TO LEE BACA IN CONCERNS OF WHAT IS BEING DONE WITH
13 THE RESIDENTS, TO THE RESIDENTS, I THINK WE CAN HELP SOLVE
14 SOME OF THESE ISSUES. I PERSONALLY HAVE ASKED BOTH LEE BACA
15 AND ERIC PARIDON TO COME TO THE TABLE TO TALK, TO DISCUSS
16 WHAT'S BEING DONE. AND I THINK IF THE LEADERS GET HOLD OF WHAT
17 IS GOING ON AND HAVE SOME KIND OF UNDERSTANDING, THEN I THINK
18 SOME OF THESE ISSUES ABOUT SHERIFF BRUTALITY WILL NOT BE
19 BROUGHT TO YOU. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU. GENEVIEVE?

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23 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.
24 I'M NOT A HAPPY CAMPER. I'M VERY UPSET. I HAD SIGNED UP FOR S-
25 1 AND 14. I WAS THE FIRST PERSON TO SIGN IN THIS MORNING, WAY



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1 BEFORE 8:00. I THINK IT'S APPALLING. I AM THE ONE WHO HAS BEEN
2 HERE EVERY WEEK TO FIGHT FOR KING/DREW, EVERY WEEK FOR THE
3 LAST THREE YEARS. I WAS PROBABLY THE ONLY ONE WHO DID NOT PUT
4 I WAS HERE IN FAVOR, I PUT OTHER. BUT I WAS KIND OF LUCKY IN
5 MY VENTURE BECAUSE SUPERVISOR MOLINA ASKED THE QUESTION I WAS
6 GOING TO ASK. AND I APPRECIATE THE EUPHORIA AND THE PUSH OF
7 MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS, I REALLY APPRECIATE IT WITH ALL MY HEART.
8 BUT I THINK WE NEED TO ASK SOME OF THE QUESTIONS. NOT BEING A
9 NATIVE AMERICAN, I'M VERY PICKY ABOUT SEMANTICS. AND I READ
10 THINGS VERY, VERY CAREFULLY. AND IN THE BOARD LETTER THEY SAID
11 THIS OFFICE WILL SUBMIT THE OFFER TO THE U.C. FOR
12 CONSIDERATION. IT HAS NEVER BEEN SUBMITTED AT ALL, ACCORDING
13 TO THIS. AND LIKE I SAID, I'M VERY APPRECIATIVE OF SUPERVISOR
14 MOLINA TO ASK THAT QUESTION. BUT I THINK, YOU KNOW, TO GIVE
15 HOPE TO PEOPLE IS WONDERFUL. BUT SOMETHING IS WORSE, IS TO
16 GIVE FALSE HOPE. AND I THINK YOU HAVE TO BE VERY CAREFUL TO
17 MAKE SURE THAT PEOPLE KNOW WHAT TO EXPECT AND HOW LONG IT WILL
18 TAKE TO GET THAT PROJECT. IT IS A MAMMOTH PROJECT TO MAKE. BUT
19 IT CAN HAPPEN. AND I TOTALLY AGREE WITH YOU THAT THE TIME IS
20 RIGHT AND IT CAN HAPPEN. BUT DO NOT SEND TOO MUCH FALSE HOPE.
21 AND LIKE I SAID, I FEEL VERY UPSET NOT TO HAVE BEEN ALLOWED TO
22 SPEAK AT THE TIME OF THE ITEM. AND I KNOW YOU WERE, YOU KNOW,
23 YOU ARE A GOOD COMMUNITY ORGANIZER. AND YOU'VE GOT THE PEOPLE
24 HERE TO BRING IN FAVOR, AND I ADMIRE THAT, BECAUSE THAT'S
25 PROBABLY THE ONLY WAY WE'RE GOING TO MAKE IT HAPPEN. BUT DON'T



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1 DISCARD PEOPLE LIKE MYSELF WHO WANT TO BE FAIR AND WANT TO
2 SEEK -- SO WE DON'T MAKE THE MISTAKES WE HAVE DONE IN THE
3 PAST. AND YOU KNOW, LIKE I TOLD YOU LAST WEEK, GET SOME NURSES
4 INVOLVED IN THAT PROJECT. THAT'S GOING TO BE YOUR TOUGHEST
5 SITUATION. BRING NURSES.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** CS-7 AS WELL.

8

9 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** I WAS WONDERED WHAT KIND OF POSITION
10 ARE WE TALKING ABOUT? BECAUSE I DID NOT KNOW WHAT IT WAS
11 EXACTLY. IT SAYS THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES INDEPENDENT
12 REVIEW SERVICES. ARE WE TALKING ABOUT D.H.S. ED? OR ARE WE
13 TALKING SOMEBODY ELSE? I DON'T KNOW.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE'RE TALKING ABOUT SORT OF LIKE OUR
16 OFFICE OF INDEPENDENT REVIEW, BUT FOR THE HEALTH SERVICES
17 DEPARTMENT.

18

19 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** HEALTH SERVICES DEPARTMENT. OKAY.
20 THAT'S WHAT I WANTED TO MAKE SURE. AND I THINK THAT, YOU KNOW,
21 IT WOULD BE TIME TO FIND AHEAD OF THE D.H.S., SO IT CAN BE A
22 MOTIVATING FACTOR BEYOND OPENING KING/DREW. BECAUSE IF YOU DO
23 IT WITHOUT THAT PERSON, OUR SUCCESS WILL BE LESS THAN
24 GUARANTEED. THANK YOU.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THANK YOU. LYNNE BOONE, MARGARET
2 ARAUJO. DOMINGO FERMIN AND PACIS GOFFNEY. GO AHEAD.

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4 **LYNNE BOONE:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS LYNNE BOONE. I RESIDE
5 IN THE CITY OF COMPTON UNDER THE SECOND DISTRICT. AND I'M
6 REALLY DIRECTING MY INFORMATION TO MR. THOMAS. MR. THOMAS,
7 YOUR HONOR, WE HAVE QUITE A FEW ISSUES THAT ARE BEING
8 ADDRESSED IN THE CITY OF COMPTON, AND AS RESIDENTS, WE ARE
9 TRYING TO HANDLE THEM. BUT THERE'S ONE IN PARTICULAR IN WHICH
10 THEY WANT TO BRING BACK THE COMPTON POLICE, OUR LEADERSHIP
11 THERE. I WAS BORN AND RAISED IN THE CITY OF COMPTON, AND I WAS
12 THERE WITH OUR POLICE. WE DID HAVE COMMUNITY INTERACTING
13 POLICE. BUT WHEN THE GANGS AND THE DRUGS AND THE GUNS CAME
14 INTO COMPTON, THE POLICE DID BECOME CORRUPT. THE REMOVAL OF
15 THE POLICE DEPARTMENT BROUGHT IN THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. I
16 HAD ISSUES WITH THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AT ONE TIME. I EVEN
17 CAME DOWN HERE AND I SPOKE ON IT. MY ISSUES WERE RESOLVED. AND
18 DURING THAT TIME, I DISCOVERED WHAT THE PROBLEM WAS. OUR
19 LEADERSHIP THERE WILL NOT COMMUNICATE WITH THE SHERIFFS AT
20 ALL. THEY'RE SUPPOSED TO BE FOR THE COMMUNITY, BUT THEY'RE NOT
21 REPRESENTING US. THERE'S NO COMMUNICATION LINE BETWEEN OUR
22 LEADERSHIP AND THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. AND NOW AS A
23 COMMUNITY, WE HAVE BEGUN TO BREAK THAT CHAIN AND WE'RE
24 STARTING TO HAVE THE COMMUNICATION WITH THE SHERIFF. THE
25 SHERIFF PROVIDED US WAS SO MUCH MORE THAN WHAT A POLICE



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1 DEPARTMENT BEING ESTABLISHED RIGHT NOW COULD DO FOR US. WE'RE
2 FINALLY GETTING ON TRACK WHERE THE CRIME IS BEING. WE'RE ALL
3 PUT INTO ORDER NOW WHERE WE CAN SEE, WHERE WE CAN WALK THROUGH
4 THE NEIGHBORHOOD AND FEEL SAFE. AND NOW, BECAUSE OF A VENDETTA
5 THAT OUR MAYOR, WHO USED TO BE A COMPTON POLICE, WANTS TO
6 BRING BACK THE COMPTON POLICE IN ORDER TO, LIKE I SAID, A
7 VENDETTA BECAUSE OF THE EX-MAYOR WHO REMOVED THE COMPTON
8 POLICE. PLEASE, PLEASE ADDRESS THIS BECAUSE IT IS A TIMELY
9 MANNER. AND WE'RE TALKING ABOUT HEALTH AND SAFETY OF THE
10 COMMUNITY. THANK YOU.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. ETHEL JOHNSON AND ARNOLD
13 SACHS. YES, SIR.

14

15 **PACIS GOFFNEY:** YEAH. MY NAME IS PACIS GOFFNEY. I'M THE FOUNDER
16 OF E-CON OPPORTUNITIES. I CAME HERE THREE WEEKS AGO, MR.
17 ANTONOVICH, AND I SPOKE. AND I THINK THAT MAYBE YOU'RE NOT
18 LISTENING TO WHAT I'M SAYING. I DON'T KNOW IF ANYBODY'S
19 LISTENING, BUT I COME HERE TO BE HEARD. I HAVE A REFORM
20 PROGRAM WHERE WE'VE ACTUALLY CREATED CRIMINAL REFORM WHICH
21 TEACHES MORAL, ETHICAL, AND SOCIAL SKILLS. WE HAVE NINE
22 DIFFERENT COURTS THAT ARE OUT OF AFRICA. WE WORK WITH EX-CONS,
23 WE'VE BEEN DOING THIS FOR SIX YEARS. I CAME HERE BECAUSE I
24 NEED CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS. IN ORDER TO MAKE MY PROGRAM WORK,
25 WE HAVE TO PLACE THESE GUYS IN JOBS. I'M A PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT



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1 MANAGER, I'M REGISTERED WITH THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL
2 SERVICES. I'VE DONE MANY CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS FROM MALIBU TO
3 EAST L.A. I'M WORKING RIGHT NOW AT THE S.B.A. RIGHT NOW,
4 ORDINARILY WITH THE COUNTY PROGRAM ORDINARY TO GAIN THE
5 RESPECT OF YOU GUYS GOING THROUGH A PROCESS ORDINARY TO GET
6 THESE CONTRACTS. BUT, I MEAN, I CAME HERE AND I SPOKE THREE
7 WEEKS AGO OR SO. AND YOU SENT ME TO THIS WORK FORCE INVESTMENT
8 BOARD OF SOUTH BAY AFTER I SPOKE AND ASKED FOR CONTRACTS. I
9 SPENT THREE WEEKS TALKING TO THEM WITH MR. LUTHER FROM THE --
10 SERVICES WHO WRITES POLICIES AND EVERYTHING. AT THE END OF THE
11 DAY, THERE WAS NO REASON FOR ME TO BE THERE BECAUSE THEY DON'T
12 GIVE OUT CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS, SO I'M LOOKING AT YOU IN THE
13 EYE SAYING I'M NOT A DUMB BLACK GUY FROM SOUTH CENTRAL. I GREW
14 UP IN MARINA DEL REY. YES, I GOT 15 YEARS IN PRISON BUT I TOOK
15 THAT TIME TO READ OVER 300 BOOKS. I HAVE A DOCTORATE NOW IN
16 CRIMINOLOGY, I WORK AT A LAW OFFICE. I DON'T COME HERE TO BE
17 HUMILIATED OR TOLD, MISDIRECTED OR MISGUIDED SO YOU HAVE MORE
18 TIME TO DO WHATEVER YOU'RE DOING. I COME HERE WITH A SERIOUS
19 INTENTION TO WORK WITH EX-CONS. THAT'S WHAT I DO, HELPING
20 THESE EX-CONS GET BACK ON THEIR FEET. RIGHT NOW WE GOT \$102
21 TRILLION DEBT. WE ONLY -- OUR TAXES ONLY DO TWO TRILLION A
22 YEAR. WE'RE NOT GOING TO BE ABLE TO FIX IT. WE HAVE TO START
23 WORK WITH THE EX-CONS. ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER HAS BEEN MADE TO
24 REDUCE THE STATE PRISON DOWN TO 110 PEOPLE, 10,000
25 INDIVIDUALS. AND YOU GUYS HAVE TO START LOOKING AT NEW WAYS TO



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1 START DEALING WITH THESE PEOPLE AND I'M HERE BEGGING YOU TO
2 USE MY SERVICES. THAT'S ALL I CAN SAY.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. YES.

5

6 **DOMINGO FERMIN:** YES. GOOD AFTERNOON. I WOULD LIKE TO THANK --

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8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SIR, IDENTIFY YOURSELF, PLEASE, YOUR
9 NAME.

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11 **DOMINGO FERMIN:** OH. MY NAME IS DOMINGO FERMIN. I WOULD LIKE TO
12 THANK MR. ANTONOVICH'S STAFF FOR THE HELP THEY'RE TRYING TO
13 GIVE ME. I'M FACING A PROBLEM FOR TWO YEARS AND EIGHT MONTHS
14 WITH THE CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICE. FOR I AM SPANISH, AND
15 THAT'S THE FIRST PROBLEM I HAVE. AND ONE ORGANIZATION, LIKE
16 CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICE HAVE OVER 21,000 KIDS, 96%
17 MINORITY. CRAZY PEOPLE SHOULDN'T BE WORKING OVER THERE. AND I
18 DON'T WANT MY DAUGHTER TO BE OVER HERE IN THE PAPER. THE LAST
19 FIVE DAYS, CHILDREN WHO WERE SUPPOSED TO BE IN FOSTER CARE ARE
20 MINORITY. I DON'T WANT THAT TO HAPPEN TO MY DAUGHTER. THE
21 SOCIAL WORKER NAMED NORMA MARTINEZ AND HER SUPERVISOR NAMED
22 KAREN OFTAMILLIAN, IS TWO VERY CRAZIEST PEOPLE. STILL, THEY
23 HAVE THE CASE. THEY HAVE THE CASE ILLEGALLY BRING OVER HERE TO
24 THE METRO DISTRICT. I LIVE IN PASADENA. MY DAUGHTER WAS TAKEN
25 CARE IN PASADENA. I LIVE 9-1/2 BLOCKS AWAY FROM THE CHILDREN



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1 AND FAMILY SERVICE OFFICE. HOW THAT CASE END OVER HERE?
2 BECAUSE THE PEOPLE WHO ACCUSE ME TO MOLESTING MY DAUGHTER HAVE
3 NOT BEEN PROVED, I NEVER WAS ARRESTED. BUT KAREN OFTAMILLIAN
4 AND NORMA MARTINEZ BRINGING, EVERY WEEK, BRINGING ANOTHER
5 PROBLEM, A PROBLEM, A PROBLEM. NOW THEY TRIED TO ACCUSE ME OF
6 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE. I'VE NEVER BEEN A VIOLENT PERSON. AND WHAT
7 IS GOING ON OVER THERE IN THE METRO NORTH IS A COVER UP FROM
8 THE SUPERVISOR. IF NOBODY INVESTIGATES IT, WE'RE GOING TO HAVE
9 MORE KIDS OVER HERE EVERY WEEK IN THE "L.A. TIMES." THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. NAVALINE SMITH,
12 ZION SMITH. OKAY. YES. [CHEERS] ETHEL?

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14 **ETHEL SMITH:** WELCOME TO THE BOARD AND ALL SUPERVISORS, FROM
15 EVERY DISTRICT. I CAN TRULY SAY THANK GOD THAT I'M HERE TODAY.
16 I HAVE WORKED MOLINA'S AREA, KNABE'S, YAROSLAVSKY AND OUR
17 HONORABLE. AND I TELL MY KIDS THAT'S GOING TO SCHOOL, THE
18 YOUNG PEOPLE. I SAID, DO YOU KNOW WHAT HONORABLE MEANS? DO YOU
19 KNOW WHAT HONORABLE MEANS? SURE. WE'VE HAD A BAD TIME THAT I
20 THINK THAT WE ALL SHOULD BE ABLE TO WORK TOGETHER. RIGHT NOW,
21 I'M IN A SITUATION THAT I NEED HOUSING, SECTION 8. AND IT'S
22 NOT THAT EASY. WE'VE GOT SANTA FE SPRINGS AND THEN WE HAVE
23 CITY, SO I WAS ON THE CITY SINCE '97. MY MOTHER LIVED IN
24 COMPTON, WHEN SHE DIED IN '97, I STILL WAS OVERSEAS. I WENT
25 OVERSEAS IN 1991. MY FATHER WAS KILLED IN '89, AND I WENT TO



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1 THE UNION IN LONG BEACH PORT, LOS ANGELES. AND I WENT AND GOT
2 A JOB WORKING FOR THE UNION. MY PAPERS WAS AT THE UNITED
3 STATES COAST GUARD. I UNDERSTAND WE HAVE A PROBLEM. I'VE BEEN
4 KIND OF -- I MEAN, ALL OF US HAVE HAD A PROBLEM WITH THE
5 DEPARTMENT. BUT I'VE ALWAYS TOLD YOU, AND IT'S BEEN 20 YEARS
6 THAT WE CAN ALL GET TOGETHER, FORGIVE EACH OTHER, AND TRY TO
7 WORK TOGETHER. RIGHT NOW, I'VE BEEN DAMAGED IN EACH AREA, JUST
8 ABOUT. I'M GOING TO KNABE'S AREA, YOU KNOW, I HAVE AN EX-
9 BOYFRIEND OVER THERE. HE'S AN ARMY GUY. YOU KNOW? I KNOW YOU
10 WANT ME TO CUT THIS OFF. BUT RIGHT NOW I NEED YOUR HELP, I
11 NEED THE BOARD'S HELP. IF THEY WOULD JUST PLEASE LOOK INTO THE
12 SECTION 8 FOR ME SO THAT I CAN GET ON MY FEET. I THINK WE CAN
13 FIX ALL THIS. YOU KNOW? I'M DOING SACRAMENTO. COME JOIN ME.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MR. SACHS AND THEN -- LET'S
16 SEE. I'LL ASK TERRY WILBURN TO JOIN US UP HERE NOW PLEASE.
17 TERRY. AND THEN LAST WILL BE FROM LANCASTER, NICOLE PARSONS.
18 MR. SACHS?

19

20 **ARNOLD SACHS:** GOOD AFTERNOON. THANK YOU. THREE THINGS TO TOUCH
21 ON TODAY. I DON'T KNOW IF YOU HAPPENED TO READ IN THE NEWS
22 SECTION, BOEING HAS PROBLEMS WITH THEIR 787S. AT THE VERY END
23 OF THE STORY IN THE L.A. TIMES ON SATURDAY, IT STATES THAT
24 ALENIA AERONAUTICA, A SUBSIDIARY OF FINMECCANICA, WHICH IS THE
25 PARENT COMPANY OF ANSALDO BRED A, WHICH IS THE COMPANY THAT



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1 M.T.A. IS CONSIDERING FOR THE RAILCARS. SEEMS TO BE ONE BIG
2 TIE-UP. THEY CAN'T GET THE PLANES RIGHT FOR BOEING. THEY OWN A
3 COMPANY THAT YOU'RE CONSIDERING DOING THE RAILCARS. IF YOU
4 DECIDE TO GO WITH THAT CONTRACT, I STILL THINK YOU SHOULD PUT
5 THE MONEY UP FRONT AS A PUBLIC/PRIVATE OPERATION. AND THEN LET
6 THE COUNTY -- EXCUSE ME, GOD FORBID THAT. WELL, LET IT GO FOR
7 A PROJECT THAT'S \$300 MILLION THAT CAN GET SOMETHING STARTED.
8 LAST WEEK, I MENTIONED SOME PROBLEMS, OR DIFFICULTIES OR
9 SITUATIONS WITH SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON. AND I BELIEVE
10 SUPERVISOR KNABE, YOU MENTIONED THAT I WAS BLAMING THE
11 SUPERVISORS FOR THOSE SITUATIONS. AND I SAID NO, IT'S AN
12 ENABLING SITUATION. BUT LET ME POINT OUT TO YOU THIS ONE. YOU
13 MIGHT HAVE HEARD THAT CHIEF BRATTON IS RETIRING OR LEAVING THE
14 L.A.P.D., AND IN THE L.A. TIMES, THEY HAPPENED TO DO A QUICK
15 BACKGROUND ON THE FIVE OFFICERS WHO THEY MIGHT CONSIDER FOR
16 THE CHIEF. ONE OF THEM WAS SERVED AS CHIEF OF POLICE FOR THE
17 METROPOLITAN TRANSIT -- TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY UNTIL IT
18 MERGED WITH THE L.A.P.D. IN 1997. THAT'S COUNTY. THAT'S M.T.A.
19 SO IF THE METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION POLICE MERGED WITH
20 L.A.P.D. IN 1997, THEN WHO IS METRO? WELL, METRO IS THE
21 COUNTY, METRO IS THE CITY. THAT'S DUPLICITY. THAT IS THE
22 M.T.A. BOARD. THAT'S THE SITUATION WHERE FOUR OF THE FIVE
23 SITTING COUNCIL MEMBERS -- BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SITTING ON THE
24 M.T.A. BOARD. DON'T KNOW ABOUT DUPLICITY? THAT'S DUPLICITY.



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1 TWO DEPARTMENTS, SAME NAME, UNLIMITED FUNDING. THAT'S
2 CRIMINAL.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MR. SACHS, JUST A QUICK HISTORY LESSON
5 HERE.

6

7 **ARNOLD SACHS:** EXCUSE ME?

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** JUST A QUICK HISTORY LESSON. METRO, WHEN IT
10 WAS MERGED, WAS NOT MERGED. THAT WAS AT ONE TIME WAS HALF
11 SHERIFF, HALF L.A.P.D. IT'S NOW -- WE DECIDED TO, INSTEAD OF
12 DUPLICITY, TO HAVE THE ONE CONTRACT. THAT'S WHY WE HAVE THE
13 ONE CONTRACT NOW.

14

15 **ARNOLD SACHS:** BUT THERE'S A METRO IN L.A.P.D.?

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NO, THERE'S NOT.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ALTOGETHER DIFFERENT.

20

21 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THAT'S WHAT I SAY. IT'S A DIFFERENT METRO. IT
22 ALL DEPENDS ON WHO IS CALLING THE SHOTS. SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
23 EDISON.

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1 **NAVALINE SMITH:** I, NAVALINE SMITH, RESIDENT OF UJIMA VILLAGE
2 FOR 23 YEARS. I'M LIVING IN A COMPLEX THAT IS ABANDONED. THERE
3 ARE SEVEN FAMILIES THAT ARE LEFT BEHIND. THE TRASH BIN IS OVER
4 FLOODED WITH DEBRIS. THERE'S A DEAD BODY IN THERE. I DON'T
5 KNOW IF IT'S AN ANIMAL OR HUMAN BEING. I REALLY DON'T KNOW.
6 IT'S SEVEN OF US LEFT BEHIND. ON AUGUST THE 13TH, 2009, I
7 ATTENDED A MEETING AT C.D.C. IN REGARDS OF MY RELOCATION
8 FUNDS. DURING THAT TIME, SOMEBODY BROKE IN AND ROBBED ME,
9 ROBBED ME AND MY FAMILY WHILE I WAS ATTENDING A MEETING. THE
10 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AWARDED \$150,000 FOR SECURITY FOR THE
11 REMAINING TENANTS AT UJIMA VILLAGE, BUT I GOT ROBBED. I WOULD
12 LIKE TO KNOW HOW MUCH MONEY HAVE YOU ALL SPENT TO FIGHT ME TO
13 STAY ON A GOVERNMENT PROGRAM. AND ON SEPTEMBER THE 1ST, 2009,
14 MY RENT GOES UP. I'M STILL PAYING RENT. ON JULY THE 5TH, 2009,
15 NO ONE COMES OVER THERE AND VISIT ME, BUT I HAD SOME VISITORS
16 FROM CHURCH TO COME OVER AND VISIT ME IN JULY '05. AND THE
17 POLICE SAID AT THE END OF THE STREET, THEY CAME UP, THEY SIT
18 THREE IN A ROW, A YOUNG MAN WAS HELPING ME MOVE SOME BOXES OUT
19 OF THE HOUSE, ONE OF THE CHURCH MEMBERS. THE POLICE OFFICER
20 GOT OUT OF THE CAR AND GAVE HIM A TICKET. AND I WENT UP TO THE
21 POLICE OFFICER AND I SAID, WHY WOULD YOU GIVE HIM A TICKET?
22 WELL, HE GAVE ME A TICKET. YOU KNOW, PRIOR TO THAT, TWO WEEKS
23 PRIOR TO THAT, THE SAME OFFICER TOWED A GENTLEMAN'S CAR, AND
24 THE REASON WHY HE TOWED THE CAR IS BECAUSE HE SAID THAT THE
25 POLICE OFFICERS ARE DISRESPECTING THE PEOPLE AT UJIMA VILLAGE.



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1 MR. THOMAS, IT'S TIME FOR ME AND MY SON TO LEAVE UJIMA
2 VILLAGE. YOU GUYS ARE SPENDING ALL THIS MONEY FIGHTING ME. YOU
3 KNOW, AT THE MEETING, IT WAS A BIG BOARD. ALL THIS MEETING,
4 AND I'M STILL THERE. WHAT IS IT GOING TO TAKE? HAD WE HAD BEEN
5 HOME, STUFF IS EVERYWHERE. MY SON AND ME. I'M STILL THERE. I'M
6 STILL PAYING RENT. I'M STILL FIGHTING YOU GUYS. YOU GUYS ARE
7 STILL PAYING MONEY FIGHTING ME. AND THE PLACE IS JUST FALLING
8 DOWN. YESTERDAY, THE SECURITY FROM THE HOUSING CAME UP,
9 THEY'RE GOING TO PUT BARS ON THE DOOR, LOCKS ON THE DOOR. I
10 APPRECIATE THAT, BUT WHY ARE THEY DOING THAT WHEN THEY'RE
11 GOING TO TEAR THE PLACE DOWN? YOU KNOW, YOU GUYS ARE SPENDING
12 ALL THIS MONEY FIGHTING ME AND THIS IS MY FOURTH TIME DOWN
13 HERE AT THE MEETING. I'M IN THE SAME SPOT, DOING THE SAME
14 THING, YOU GUYS ARE STEADY PAYING MONEY. YOU PAY \$400 AN HOUR
15 FOR YOUR ATTORNEY. AND THE CONSULTANT GUY WHO GAVE THE WRONG
16 INFORMATION, YOU KNOW, IT WAS AN ADDRESS THAT DIDN'T EVEN
17 EXIST, AND AT THE MEETING, AND, YOU KNOW, I JUST NEED FOR
18 SOMEONE TO HELP ME GET OUT OF UJIMA VILLAGE. I DON'T KNOW WHAT
19 IS IT GOING TO TAKE.

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOUR TIME IS EXPIRED.

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23 **NAVALINE SMITH:** YEAH, WHAT IS IT GOING TO TAKE?

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25 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOUR TIME IS EXPIRED.



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2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. CHAIRMAN AND COLLEAGUES, IT MIGHT BE
3 ADVISABLE TO HEAR FOR JUST A FEW MOMENTS AN UPDATE FROM THE
4 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION. I
5 THINK THE COMMISSION HAS BEEN FOLLOWING OUR INSTRUCTIONS TO
6 GET THIS MATTER HANDLED. IF YOU WOULD PERMIT JUST A FEW
7 MOMENTS, I THINK IT WOULD BE USEFUL.

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9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MR. ROGAN?

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11 **SEAN ROGAN:** THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON CHAIRMAN, BOARD OF
12 SUPERVISORS. SEAN ROGAN, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, COMMUNITY
13 DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION. WE HAVE BEEN ENGAGING A NUMBER OF THE
14 TENANTS AND TRYING TO FACILITATE THEIR MOVE FROM UJIMA VILLAGE
15 INTO HOUSING OF THEIR CHOICE. AS IT RELATES TO MISS SMITH, I'D
16 LIKE TO MAKE THREE POINTS. ONE IS SHE HAS A VOUCHER. AS SHE
17 MENTIONED, SHE'S BEEN AT UJIMA VILLAGE FOR QUITE SOME TIME.
18 THE VOUCHER IS SET UP TO ALLOW FOR CHOICE, AND SHE CAN MOVE AT
19 ANY TIME USING THAT VOUCHER. THE SECOND ITEM, AND THIS IS VERY
20 IMPORTANT, IS UNDER RELOCATION LAW, AS IS SIMILAR TO THOSE
21 TENANTS THAT HAD VOUCHERS AT UJIMA VILLAGE, THEY WERE ABLE TO
22 USE THOSE VOUCHERS AND THEY RECEIVED MOVING EXPENSES TO FIND
23 OTHER HOUSING. SO IT REALLY COMES DOWN TO A PERSONAL DECISION
24 AND PERSONAL CHOICE AS TO WHAT SHE WANTS TO DO IN TERMS OF THE
25 VOUCHER. THE THIRD ITEM, SHE MENTIONS THE APPEAL PROCESS. THAT



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1 APPEAL PROCESS IS IN EXISTENCE WHETHER SHE STAYS AT UJIMA
2 VILLAGE OR WHETHER SHE MOVES. SO IF SHE WANTS TO MOVE, SHE CAN
3 LEAVE TOMORROW, WE'LL HELP FACILITATE THE MOVE, WE'LL PAY FOR
4 THE MOVING EXPENSES, WE'LL ASSIST IN TERMS OF THE LOCATION.
5 WHAT REALLY IS AT ISSUE HERE IS THAT SHE WANTS SOMETHING OTHER
6 THAN WE CAN PROVIDE FOR UNDER RELOCATION LAW. SO AS SUCH, WE
7 CONTINUE TO WORK WITH TENANTS. SHE MENTIONED WE'RE DOWN TO
8 SEVEN. WE HAVE A FEW MORE THAT WE'RE ASSISTING IN FACILITATING
9 THEIR MOVE AND WE'RE GOING TO CONTINUE TO DO SO. SO, MY
10 SUGGESTION AND RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD IS THAT IF MISS
11 SMITH WANTS TO LEAVE, SHE HAS THE VEHICLE IN ORDER TO DO SO.

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13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU, MR. ROGAN. MR.
14 CHAIRMAN, I THINK THAT SPEAKS TO THE ISSUE, IT CLARIFIES IT.
15 THIS HAS BEEN MEMORIALIZED FOR THE BENEFIT OF MISS SMITH AND
16 OTHERS. AND IT SEEMS TO ME IT'S APPROPRIATE FOR HER TO FOLLOW
17 THOSE STEPS ACCORDINGLY. AND MR. ROGAN, IF YOU WOULD SPEND
18 TIME IN SPEAKING WITH MISS SMITH TODAY NOW TO FURTHER CLARIFY
19 THAT SHOULD THERE NEED BE FURTHER CLARIFICATION. IT WOULD BE
20 GREATLY APPRECIATED.

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22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SURE. THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU.
23 WE HAVE NICOLE PARSON, I BELIEVE, IN LANCASTER.

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1 **NICOLE PARSON:** HI. HELLO. THOSE PEOPLE -- THOSE PEOPLE -- I
2 WAS GOING TO SAY THAT I SENT THEM THERE TO TELL ALL THOSE BAD
3 STORIES ABOUT THE SHERIFF SO THAT I COULD JUST GO AND, CASE
4 CLOSED, YOU KNOW, ABOUT -- BECAUSE I HAD SENT A LETTER IN JULY
5 1ST OR SOMETHING, OR 31ST, SO CASE CLOSED. AND SO, HI. I JUST
6 WANTED TO BRING YOUR ALL'S ATTENTION TO -- THERE'S AN ARTICLE
7 IN THE PAPER TODAY AND IT SAYS THE CITY AIMS TO BOOST THE
8 VIGILANCE FOR THE PAROLE -- THE EARLY RELEASE OF THE PAROLEE
9 PLAN. AND IT SAYS THE SHERIFFS BASICALLY WOULD LIKE TO TRAIN
10 AND TO KEEP THEM MONITORED ON ALL THE RELEASES OF THE NEXT
11 COUPLE OF YEARS FROM THE STATE AND THEN PROBABLY THE COUNTY,
12 TOO. AND THEN REFER YOU BACK TO WHAT WAS JUST SAID AND SENT TO
13 YOU BY ME AND THE PEOPLE TODAY. AND THEN ALSO -- AND ME
14 SAYING, YOU KNOW, THERE WAS THIS PROGRAM THAT I SAID, HEY, YOU
15 GUYS. YOU KNOW, IF YOU GUYS WANTED TO WATCH OR REFER TO, LIKE,
16 SOME OF THE MEETINGS IN THE LAST A COUPLE OF DAYS ESPECIALLY,
17 LIKE MAYBE THE PLANNING MEETING. AND I HAD SPOKE ABOUT MR.
18 IRVING AND THEN SOME STUFF THAT WAS GOING ON WITH ME. AND THEN
19 I HAVE THIS PROGRAM -- OR THIS IS NOT MY PROGRAM, BUT THIS IS
20 MY PROGRAM. AND IT WAS TO REDUCE, FOR ABOUT THE SHERIFF --
21 IT'S THIS THING RIGHT HERE, BECAUSE I GOT SOME JUNK MAIL -- OR
22 I HAD SOME JUNK MAIL, LIKE, AUGUST 4TH OR SOMETHING ON MY
23 COMPUTER, TOO, IT WAS ABOUT, UMM, ALTERNATIVES FOR THE
24 SHERIFF'S PROGRAM. SO I SENT IT -- I GAVE IT TO THE CITY, I
25 WAS, LIKE, HERE, YOU GUYS, WHY DON YOU GUYS THROW THAT,



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1 BECAUSE IT'S THE BEST YOU DO. AND IF YOU GUYS CAN YOU SEE THE
2 PICTURES, IT WAS ABOUT THIS, THE PROGRAM, WHERE I SAID THAT
3 THEY SHOULD DO IT. THEN IT CAPTAIN ANDERSON OR WHOEVER GOT IT.
4 I DON'T KNOW. HE SAYS THAT WHAT HAPPENS IF A POLICE -- IF
5 SOMEBODY GOES IN TO STEAL A V.C.R. OR T.V. THIS PROGRAM, IT
6 SAYS ABOUT A D.V.D. AND V.H.S. METHOD FOR THE GUYS TO LEARN
7 HOW TO BE FATHERS INSTEAD OF JAIL.

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9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY NICOLE, YOUR TIME IS UP. THANK YOU.

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11 **NICOLE PARSON:** BUT SIR, I HAVE MORE. PLEASE, CAN I HAVE A
12 LITTLE BIT MORE TIME? BECAUSE IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT.

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14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NO, I THINK WE GAVE EVERYBODY THE SAME
15 TIME, SO I DON'T THINK WE CAN SHOW --

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17 **NICOLE PARSON:** DO OVER.

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19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THANK YOU. WOULD YOU READ US INTO
20 CLOSED SESSION, PLEASE?

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22 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** MR. CHAIRMAN, BEFORE WE GO INTO CLOSED
23 SESSION, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT CS-8 BE
24 CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO AUGUST 25TH, 2009.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** CS-8?

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3 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** LABOR NEGOTIATION. (OFF MIKE CONVERSATION)

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5 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** OKAY. ALL RIGHT. WE ARE CONTINUING CS-8. IN
6 ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
7 THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION
8 TO DISCUSS ITEM NUMBER CS-2, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL
9 REGARDING EXISTING LITIGATION. ITEM NUMBER CS-3 AND CS-4,
10 CONFERENCES WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE
11 TO LITIGATION, ONE CASE EACH. ITEM NUMBER CS-5, CONFERENCE
12 WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING INITIATION OF LITIGATION, ONE
13 CASE. ITEM NUMBER CS-7, CONSIDERATION OF CANDIDATES FOR THE
14 POSITION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES INDEPENDENT
15 REVIEW SERVICES, AND ITEM NUMBER CS-8, CONFERENCE WITH LABOR
16 NEGOTIATORS WILLIAM T FUJIOKA, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, AND
17 DESIGNATED STAFF AS INDICATED ON THE AGENDA. THANK YOU.

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REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON AUGUST 18, 2009

No reportable action was taken on items CS-1, CS-3, CS-4, CS-5, CS-7 or CS-8.

CS-2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION
(Subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9) Herbert
and Ana Gonzalez v. County of Los Angeles, United States
District Court Case No. CV-07-02064



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1 This litigation arises from allegations of civil rights
2 violations related to plaintiff s arrest and detention. (09-
3 0148)

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5 Action Taken: The Board authorized settlement of the lawsuit
6 titled Herbert and Ana Gonzalez v. County of Los Angeles. The
7 substance of the settlement will be disclosed upon inquiry by
8 any person as soon as the settlement becomes final following
9 approval by all parties.

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11 The vote of the Board was unanimous with all Supervisors being
12 present.

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14 In Open Session, item CS-6 was continued two weeks to
15 September 1, 2009.

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